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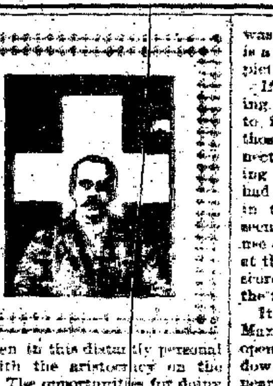

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CHAPTER VII.

He that followeth me shall not walk in darkness.

The body of Loreen lay in state at the Page mansion on the avenue. It was Sunday morning, and the clear, sweet air, just beginning to breathe over the city the perfume of opening blossoms in the woods and fields, swept over the casket from one of the open windows at the end of the grand hall. The church bells were ringing, and the people on the avenue going by to service turned curious, inquiring looks up at the great house and went on, talking of the recent events which had so strangely entered into and made history in the city.

At the First church Henry Maxwell, bearing on his face marks of the scene he had been through the night before, confronted an immense congregation and spoke of it with a passion and a power that came so naturally out of the profound experiences of the day before that his people felt for him something of the old feeling of pride they once had in his dramatic delivery. Only this was a different attitude, and all through his impassioned appeal this morning there was a note of sadness and rebuke and stern condemnation that made many of the members pale with self accusation or with inward anger.

For Raymond had awakened that morning to the fact that the city had gone for license, after all. The rumor at the Rectangle that the second and third wards had gone no license proved to be false. It was true that the victory was won by a very meager majority, but the result was the same as if it had been overwhelming. Raymond had voted to continue another year the saloon. The Christians of Raymond stood condemned by the result. More than a hundred Christians, professing disciples, had failed to go to the polls, and many more than that number had voted with the whisky men. If all the church members of Raymond had voted against the saloon, it would today be outlawed instead of crowned king of the municipality. That had been the fact in Raymond for years. The saloon ruled. No one denied that. What would Jesus do?

And the woman who had been brutally struck down by the very hand that had assisted so eagerly to work her earthly ruin—what of her? Was it anything more than the logical sequence of the whole horrible system of license that for another year the saloon that received her so often and compassed her degradation, from whose very spot the weapon had been hurled that struck her dead, would by the law which the Christian people of Raymond voted to support open its doors, perhaps tomorrow, and damn with earthly and eternal destruction a hundred Loreens before the year had drawn to its bloody close?

All this, with a voice that rang and trembled and broke in sobs of anguish for the result, did Henry Maxwell pour out upon his people that Sunday morning, and men and women wept as he spoke. Donald Marsh sat there, his usual erect, handsome, firm, bright, self confident bearing all gone, his head bowed upon his breast, the great tears rolling down his cheeks, unmindful of the fact that never before had he shown outward emotion in a public service. Edward Norman near by sat, with his clear cut, keen face erect, but his lip trembled and he clutched the end of the pew with a feeling of emotion that struck deep into his knowledge of the truth as Maxwell spoke of it. No man had given or suffered more to influence public opinion that last week than Norman. The thought that the Christian conscience had been aroused too late or too feebly lay with a weight of accusation upon the heart of the editor. What if he had begun to do as Jesus would long ago? Who could tell what might have been accomplished by this time? And up in the choir Rachel Winslow, with her face bowed on the railing of the oak screen, gave way to a feeling she had not yet allowed to master her, but it so unfitted her for her part that when Henry Maxwell finished and she tried to sing the closing solo after the prayer her voice broke, and for the first time in her life she was obliged to sit down sobbing and unable to go on.

Over the church in the silence that followed this strange scene, sobs and the noise of weeping arose. When had the First church yielded to such a baptism of tears? What had become of its regular, precise, cold, conventional order of service, undisturbed by any vulgar emotion and unmoved by any foolish excitement? But the people had lately had their deepest convictions touched. They had been living so long on their surface feelings that they had almost forgotten the deeper wells of life. Now that they had broken to the surface the people were convinced of the meaning of their discipleship.

Henry Maxwell did not ask this morning for volunteers to join those who had already pledged to do as Jesus would, but when the congregation had finally gone and he had entered the lecture room it needed but a glance to show him that the original company of followers had been largely increased. The meeting was tender. It glowed with the Spirit's presence; it was alive with strong and lasting resolve to begin a war on the whisky power of Raymond that would break its reign. Since the first Sunday when the first company of volunteers had pledged themselves to do as Jesus would do the different meetings had been characterized by distinct impulses or impressions. Today the entire force of the gathering seemed to be directed to this one large purpose. It was a meeting full of broken prayers, of contrition, confession, of strong yearning for a new and better city life, and all through it ran the one general cry for deliverance from the saloon and its awful curse.

But if the First church was deeply stirred by the events of the week gone the Rectangle also felt moved strongly in its own way. The death of Loreen was not in itself so remarkable a fact. It was her recent acquaintance with the people from the city that lifted her into special prominence and surrounded her death with more than ordinary importance. Every one in the Rectangle knew that Loreen was at this moment lying in the Page mansion up on the avenue. Exaggerated reports of the magnificence of the casket had already furnished material for eager gossip. The Rectangle was [illegible] to know the details of the funeral. Would it be public? What did Miss Page intend to do? The Rectangle had never before mingled even in this distantly personal manner with the aristocracy on the boulevard. The opportunities for doing so were not frequent. Gray and his wife were besieged by inquiries as to what Loreen's friends and acquaintances were expected to do in paying their last respects to her, for her acquaintance was large, and many of the recent converts were among her friends.

So that is how it happened Monday afternoon at the tent that the funeral service of Loreen was held before an immense audience that choked the tent and overflowed beyond all previous bounds. Gray had gone to Virginia, and after talking it over with her and Henry Maxwell the arrangements had been made.

"I am and always have been opposed to large public funerals," said Gray, whose complete, wholesome simplicity of character was one of its great sources of strength, "but the cry of the poor creatures who knew Loreen is so earnest that I do not know how to refuse their desire to see her and pay her poor body some last little honor. What do you think, Mr. Maxwell? I will be guided by your judgment in the matter. I am sure that whatever you and Miss Page think is best will be right."

"I feel as you do," replied Mr. Maxwell. "Under most circumstances I have a great distaste for what seems like display at such times, but this seems different. The people at the Rectangle will not come here to a service. I think the most Christian thing will be to let them have the service at the tent. Do you think so, Virginia?"

"Yes," said Virginia sadly. "Poor soul! I do not know but that some time I shall know she gave her life for mine. We certainly cannot and will not use the occasion for vulgar display. Let her friends be allowed the gratification of their wishes. I see no harm in it."

So the arrangements were made with some difficulty for the service at the tent, and Virginia, with her uncle and Rollin, accompanied by Henry Maxwell, Rachel, President Marsh and the quartet from the First church, went down and witnessed one of the strange scenes of their lives. It happened that that afternoon a noted newspaper correspondent was passing through Raymond on his way to an editorial convention in a neighboring city. He heard of the contemplated service at the tent and was present that afternoon. His description of it was written in a graphic style that caught the attention of very many readers the next day. A fragment of his account belongs to this part of the history of Raymond:

"There was a very unique and unusual funeral service held here this afternoon at the tent of an evangelist, Rev. John Gray, down in the slum district known as the Rectangle. The occasion was caused by the killing of a woman during an election riot last Saturday night. It seems she had been recently converted during the evangelist's meetings and was killed while returning from one of the meetings in company with other converts and some of her friends. She was a common street drunkard, and yet the services at the tent were as impressive as any I ever witnessed in a metropolitan church over the most distinguished citizen.

"In the first place, a most exquisite anthem was sung by a trained choir. It struck me, of course, being a stranger to the place, with considerable astonishment to hear voices like those one naturally expects to hear only in great churches or concerts at such a meeting as this, but the most remarkable part of the music was a solo sung by a strikingly beautiful young woman, a Miss Winslow, who, if I remember rightly, is the young singer who was sought for by Crandal, the manager of National Opera, and who for some reason refused to accept his offer to go on the stage. She had a most wonderful manner in singing, and everybody was weeping before she had sung a dozen words. That, of course, is not so strange an effect to be produced at a funeral service, but the voice itself was one of ten thousand. I understand Miss Winslow sings in the First church and could probably command almost any salary as a public singer. She will probably be heard from soon. Such a voice could win its way anywhere.

"The service, aside from the singing, was peculiar. The evangelist, a man of apparently very simple, unassuming style, spoke a few words, and he was followed by a fine looking man, the Rev. Henry Maxwell, pastor of the First church of Raymond. Mr. Maxwell spoke of the fact that the dead woman had been fully prepared to go, but he spoke in a peculiarly sensitive manner of the effect of the liquor business on the lives of men and women like this one. Raymond, of course, being a railroad town and the center of the great packing interests for this region, is full of saloons. I caught from the minister's remarks that he had only recently changed his views in regard to license. He certainly made a very striking and yet it was in no sense an inappropriate address for a funeral.

"Then followed what was perhaps the queer part of this strange service. The women in the tent, at least a large part of them up near the coffin, began to sing in a soft, tearful way, 'I was a wandering sheep.'

"Then, while the singing was going on, one row of women stood up and walked slowly past the casket, and as they went by each one placed a flower of some kind on it. Then they sat down, and another row filed past, leaving their flowers. All the time the singing continued softly, like rain on a tent cover when the wind is gentle. It was one of the simplest and at the same time one of the most impressive sights I ever witnessed. The sides of the tent were up, and hundreds of people who could not get in stood outside, all as still as death, with wonderful sadness and solemnity for such rough looking people. There must have been a hundred of these women, and I was told many of them had been converted at the meetings just recently. I cannot describe the effect of that singing. Not a man sang a note, all women's voices, and so soft and yet so distinct that the effect was startling.

"The service closed with another solo by Miss Winslow, who sang 'There were ninety and nine,' and then the evangelist asked them all to bow their heads while he prayed. I was obliged, in order to catch my train, [illegible] pouring out of the tent and forming in open ranks while the coffin was borne out by six of the women. It is a long time since I have seen such a picture in this unpoetical republic."

If Loreen's funeral impressed a passing stranger like this, it is not difficult to imagine the profound feelings of those who had been so intimately connected with her life and death. Nothing had ever entered the Rectangle that had moved it so deeply as Loreen's body in that coffin, and the Holy Spirit seemed to bless with special power the use of this senseless clay, for that night at the meeting he swept more than a score of lost souls, mostly women, into the fold of the Good Shepherd.

It should be said here that Henry Maxwell's statement concerning the opening of the saloon from whose window Loreen had been killed proved nearly exactly true. It was formally closed Monday and Tuesday while the authorities arrested the proprietor, charged with the murder, but nothing could be proved against any one, and before Saturday of that week the saloon was running as regularly as ever. No one on the earth was ever punished by earthly courts for the murder of Loreen.

No one in all Raymond, including the Rectangle, felt Loreen's death more keenly than Virginia. It came like a distinct personal loss to her. That short week while Loreen had been in her home had opened Virginia's heart to a new life. She was talking it over with Rachel the day after the funeral. They were sitting in the hall of the Page mansion.

"I am going to do something with my money to help these women to a better life." Virginia looked over to the end of the hall where the day before Loreen's body had lain. "I have decided on a good plan, as it seems to me. I have talked it over with Rollin. He will devote a large part of his money to the same plan."

"How much money have you, Virginia, to give in this way?" asked Rachel. Once she would never have asked such a personal question. Now it seemed as natural to talk frankly about money as about anything else that belonged to God.

"I have available for use at least $450,000. Rollin has as much more. It is one of his bitter regrets now that his extravagant habits of life before his conversion practically threw away half that father left him. We are both eager to make all the reparation in our power. 'What would Jesus do with this money?' We want to answer that question honestly and wisely. The money I shall put into The News is, I am confident, in line with Jesus' probable action. It is as necessary that we have a daily Christian paper in Raymond, especially now that we have the saloon influence to meet, as it is to have a church or a college. So I am satisfied that the $500,000 that Mr. Norman will know how to use so well will be a powerful factor in Raymond to do as Jesus would do.

"About my other plan, Rachel. I want you to work with me. Rollin and I are going to buy up a large part of the property in the Rectangle. The field where the tent now is has been in litigation for years. We mean to secure the entire tract as soon as the courts have settled the title. For some time I have been making a special study of the various forms of college settlements and resident methods of Christian work and institutional church work in the heart of great city slums. I do not know that I have yet been able to tell just what is the wisest and most effective kind of work that can be done in Raymond, but I do know this much—my money (I mean God's, which he wants me to use) can build wholesome lodging houses, refuges for poor women, asylums for shopgirls, safety for many and many a lost girl like Loreen. And I do not want to be simply a dispenser of this money. God help me! I do want to put myself into the problem. But do you know, Rachel, I have a feeling all the time that all that limitless money and limitless personal sacrifice can possibly do will not really lessen very much the awful conditions at the Rectangle as long as the saloon is legally established there. I think that is true of any Christian work now being carried on in any great city. The saloon furnishes material to be saved faster than the settlement or residence or rescue mission work can save it."

Virginia suddenly rose and paced the hall. Rachel answered sadly and yet with a note of hope in her voice:

"It is true; but, oh, Virginia, what a wonderful amount of happiness and power can come out of this money! And the saloon cannot always remain here. The time must come when the Christian force in the city will triumph."

Virginia paused near Rachel, and her pale, earnest face lighted up.

"I believe that too. The number of those who have promised to do as Jesus would is increasing. If we once have, say, 500 such disciples in Raymond, the saloon is doomed. But now, dear, I want you to look at your part in this plan for capturing and saving the Rectangle. Your voice is a power. I have had many ideas lately. Here is one of them. You could organize among the girls a musical institute. Give them the benefit of your training. There are some splendid voices in the rough there. Did any one ever hear such singing as that yesterday by those women? Rachel, what a beautiful opportunity! You shall have the best of opportunity in the way of organs and orchestras that money can provide, and what cannot be done with music to win souls there into higher and better and purer living?"

Before Virginia had ceased speaking Rachel's face was perfectly transfigured with the thought of her life work. It flowed into her heart and mind like a flood, and the torrent of her feeling overflowed in tears that could not be restrained. It was what she had dreamed of doing herself. It represented to her something that she felt was in keeping with a right use of her own talent.

"Yes," she said as she rose and put her arms about Virginia, while both girls in the excitement of their enthusiasm paced the hall—"yes, I will gladly put my life into that kind of service. I do believe that Jesus would have me use my life in this way. Virginia, what miracles can we not accomplish with humanity if we have such a lever as consecrated money to move things with!"

"Add to it consecrated personal enthusiasm like yours, and it certainly can accomplish great things," said Virginia, smiling, and then before Rachel could reply Rollin came in. He hesitated a moment and was passing out of the hall into the library when Virginia called him and asked some questions about his work.

Rollin came back and sat down, and together the three discussed their future plans. Rollin was apparently entirely free from embarrassment in Rachel's presence while Virginia was with them; only his manner with her was almost precise, if not cold. The past seemed to be entirely absorbed in his wonderful conversion. He had not forgotten it, but he seemed to be completely caught up for this present time in the purpose [illegible] called out, and Rachel and Virginia began to talk of other things.

"By the way, what has become of Jasper Chase?"

Virginia asked the question innocently enough, but Rachel blushed, and Virginia added, with a smile: "I suppose he is writing another book. Is he going to put you into this one, Rachel? You know I always suspected Jasper Chase of doing that very thing in his first story."

"Virginia"—Rachel spoke with the frankness that had always existed between the two friends—"Jasper Chase told me the other night that he—in fact he proposed to me—or he would if"—

Rachel stopped and sat with her hands clasped on her lap, and there were tears in her eyes.

"Virginia, I thought a little while ago that I loved him, as he said he loved me, but when he spoke my heart felt repelled, and I said what I ought to have said. I told him no. I have not seen him since. That was the night of the first conversions at the Rectangle."

"I am glad for you," said Virginia quietly.

"Why?" asked Rachel, a little startled.

"Because I have never really liked Jasper Chase. He is too cold and—I do not like to judge him, but I have always distrusted his sincerity in taking the pledge at the church with the rest."

Rachel looked at Virginia thoughtfully.

"I have never given my heart to him, I am sure. He touched my emotions, and I admired his skill as a writer. I have thought at times that I cared a good deal for him. I think perhaps if he had spoken to me at any other time than the one he chose I could easily have persuaded myself that I loved him, but not now." Rachel paused suddenly, and when she looked up at Virginia again there were tears on her face. Virginia came to her and put her arm about her tenderly.

When Rachel had left the house Virginia sat in the hall thinking over the confidence her friend had just shown her. There was something still to be told, Virginia felt sure from Rachel's manner, but she did not feel hurt that Rachel had kept back something. She was simply conscious of more on Rachel's mind than she had revealed.

Very soon Rollin came back, and he and Virginia, arm in arm, as they had lately been in the habit of doing, walked up and down the long hall.

It was easy for their talk to settle finally upon Rachel because of the place she was to occupy in the plans which were being made for the purchase of the property at the Rectangle.

"Did you ever know a girl of such really gifted powers in vocal music who was willing to give her whole life to the people, as Rachel is going to do? She is going to give music lessons in the city, have private pupils to make her living and then give the people in the Rectangle the benefit of her culture and her voice."

"It is certainly a very good example of self sacrifice," replied Rollin, a little stiffly.

Virginia looked at him a little sharply.

"But don't you think it is a very unusual example? Can you imagine"—here Virginia named half a dozen famous opera singers—"doing anything of this sort?"

"No; I can't," Rollin answered briefly. "Neither can I imagine Miss"—he spoke the name of the girl with the red parasol who had begged Virginia to take the girls to the Rectangle—"doing what you are doing, Virginia."

"Any more than I can imagine Mr."—Virginia spoke the name of a young society leader—"going about to the clubs doing your work, Rollin."

The two walked on in silence for the length of the hall.

"Coming back to Rachel," began Virginia, "Rollin, why do you treat her with such a distant, precise manner? I think, Rollin—pardon me if I hurt you—that she is annoyed by it. You used to be on easy terms. I don't think Rachel likes this change."

Rollin suddenly stopped. He seemed deeply agitated. He took his arm from Virginia's and walked down to the end of the hall. Then he returned, with his arms behind him, and, stopping near his sister, he said:

"Virginia, have you not learned my secret?"

Virginia looked bewildered. Then over her face the unusual color crept, showing that she understood.

"I have never loved any one but Rachel Winslow." Rollin spoke calmly enough now. "That day she was here when you talked about her refusal to join the concert company, I asked her to be my wife, out there on the avenue. She refused me, as I knew she would. And she gave as her reason the fact that I had no purpose in life, which was true enough. Now that I have a purpose, now that I am a new man, don't you see, Virginia, how impossible it is for me to say anything? I owe my very conversion to Rachel's singing, and yet that night while she sang I can honestly say that for the time being I never thought of her voice except as God's message. I believe all my personal love for her was for the time merged into a personal love to God and my Saviour." Rollin was silent. Then he went on with more emotion, "I am still in love with her, Virginia, but I do not think she could ever love me." He stopped and looked his sister in the face with a sad smile.

"I don't know about that," said Virginia to herself. She was noting Rollin's handsome face, its marks of dissipation nearly all gone now, the firm lips showing manhood and courage, the clear eyes looking into hers frankly, the form strong and graceful. Rollin was a man now. Why should not Rachel come to love him in time? Surely the two were well fitted for each other, especially now that their purpose in life was moved by the same Christian source.

She said something of all this to Rollin, but he did not find much comfort. When they closed the interview, Virginia carried away the impression that Rollin meant to go his way with his chosen work, trying to reach the fashionable men at the clubs and, while not avoiding Rachel, seeking no occasion for meeting her. He was distrustful of his power to control his feelings, and Virginia could see that he dreaded even the thought that his love was still the same.

The next day she went down to The News office to see Edward Norman and arrange the details of her part in the establishment of the paper on its new foundation. Henry Maxwell was present at this conference, and the three agreed that, whatever Jesus would do in detail as editor of a daily paper, he would be guided by the same general principles that directed his conduct as the Saviour of the world.

"I have tried to put down here in concrete form some of the things which it has seemed to me Jesus would do," said Edward Norman. He read from a paper lying on his desk, and Henry Maxwell was reminded again of his effort to put into written form his own conception of Jesus' probable action and also of Milton Wright's attempt in his business.

"I have headed this, 'What Would Jesus Do as Edward Norman, Editor of a Daily Newspaper In Raymond?'

"1. He would never allow a sentence or a picture in his paper that could be called bad or coarse or impure in any way.

"2. He would probably conduct the political part of the paper from the standpoint of nonpartisan patriotism, always looking upon all political questions in the light of their relations to the welfare of the people, always on the basis of 'What is right?' never from the basis of 'What is for the best interests of this or that party?' In other words, he would treat every political subject from the standpoint of the advancement of the kingdom of God on the earth."

Edward Norman looked up from the reading for a moment. "You understand that is my interpretation of Jesus' probable action on political matters on other newspaper men who may have a different conception of Jesus' probable action from mine. I am simply trying to answer honestly, 'What would Jesus do as Edward Norman?' and the answer I find is what I have put down."

"3. The end and aim of a daily paper conducted by Jesus would be to do the will of God. That is, his main purpose in carrying on a newspaper would not be to make money or gain political influence, but his first and ruling purpose should be so to conduct his paper that it would be evident to all his subscribers that he was trying to seek first the kingdom of God by means of his paper. This purpose would be as distinct and unquestioned as the purpose of a minister or a missionary or any other unselfish martyr in Christian work anywhere.

"4. All questionable advertisements would be impossible.

"5. The relation of Jesus to the employees on the paper would be of the most loving character."

"So far as I have gone," said Norman, again looking up, "I am of the opinion that Jesus would employ practically some form of co-operation that would represent the idea of mutual interest in a business where all were to move together for the same great end. I am working out such a plan, and I am confident it will be successful. At any rate, once introduce the element of personal love into a business like this, take out the selfish principle of doing it for the sake of personal profits to a man or company, and I do not see any way except the most loving personal interest between editor, reporters, pressmen and all who contributed anything to the life of the paper, and that interest would be expressed not only in the personal love and sympathy, but in a sharing with the profits of the business.

"6. As editor of a daily paper today Jesus would give large space to the work of the Christian world. He would devote a page possibly to the facts of reform, of sociological problems, of institutional church work and similar movements.

"7. He would do all in his power in his paper to fight the saloon as an enemy of the human race and an unnecessary part of our present civilization. He would do this regardless of public sentiment in the matter and, of course, always regardless of its effect on his subscription list."

Again Edward Norman looked up. "I state my honest conviction on this point. Of course I do not pass judgment on the Christian men who are editing other kinds of papers today, but as I interpret Jesus I believe he would use the influence of his paper to remove the saloon entirely from the political and social life of the nation.

"8. Jesus would not issue a Sunday edition.

"9. He would print the news of the world that people ought to know. Among the things that they do not need to know and which would not be published would be brutal prizefights, long accounts of crimes, scandals in private families or any other human events which in any way would conflict with the first point mentioned in this outline.

"10. If Jesus had the amount of money to use on a paper which we have, he would probably secure the best and strongest Christian men and women to co-operate with him in the matter of contributors. That will be my purpose, as I shall be able to show you in a few days.

"11. Whatever the details of the paper might demand as the paper developed along its definite plan, the main principle that guided it would always be the establishment of the kingdom of God in the world. This large general principle would necessarily shape all the details."

Edward Norman finished reading his plan. He was very thoughtful.

"I have merely sketched a very faint outline. I have a hundred ideas for making the paper powerful that I have not yet thought out fully. This is simply suggestive. I have talked it over with other newspaper men. Some of them say I will have a weak, namby pamby Sunday school sheet. If I get out something as good as a Sunday school, it will be pretty good. Why do men when they want to characterize something as particularly feeble always use a Sunday school as a comparison when they ought to know that the Sunday school is one of the strongest, most powerful influences in our civilization in this country today? But the paper will not necessarily be weak because it is good. Good things are more powerful than bad. The question with me is largely one of support from the Christian people of Raymond. There are over 20,000 church members here in the city. If half of them will stand by The News, its life is assured. What do you think, Maxwell, is the probability of such support?"

"I don't know enough about it to give an intelligent answer. I believe in the paper with all my heart. If it lives a year, as Miss Virginia said, there is no telling what it can do. The great thing will be to issue such a paper, as near as we can judge, as Jesus probably would and put into it all the elements of Christian brains, strength, intelligence and sense and command respect by the absence of bigotry, of fanaticism, narrowness and anything else that is contrary to the spirit of Jesus. Such a paper will call for the best that human thought and action are capable of giving. The greatest minds in the world would have their powers taxed to the utmost to issue a Christian daily."

"Yes," Edward Norman spoke humbly. "I shall make great mistakes, no doubt. I need a great deal of wisdom. But I want to do as Jesus would. 'What would he do?' I have asked it daily and shall continue to do so and abide by results."

"I think we are beginning to understand," said Virginia, "the meaning of that command, 'Grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.' I am sure I do not know all that he would do in detail until I know him better."

"That is very true," said Henry Maxwell. "I am beginning to understand that I cannot interpret the probable action of Jesus until I know better what his spirit is. To my mind the greatest question in all of human life is summed up when we ask, 'What would Jesus do?' if, as we ask it, we also try to answer it from a growing knowledge of Jesus himself. We must know Jesus before we can imitate him."

When the arrangements had been made between Virginia and Edward Norman, he found himself in possession of the sum of $500,000, exclusively his to use for the establishment of a Christian daily paper. When Virginia and Henry Maxwell had gone, Norman closed his door and, alone with the Divine presence, asked like a child for help from his all powerful Father. All through his prayer as he kneeled before his desk ran the promise, "If any man lack wisdom, let him ask of God, who giveth to all men liberally and upbraideth not, and it shall be given him." Surely his prayer would be answered and the kingdom be advanced through this instrument of God's power, this mighty press which had become so largely degraded to the base uses of man's avarice and ambition.

Two months went by. They were full of action and results in the city of Raymond and especially in the First church. In spite of the approaching heat of the summer season the after meeting of the disciples who had made the pledge to do as Jesus would do continued with enthusiasm and power. Gray had finished his work at the Rectangle, and an outward observer, going through the place, could not have seen any difference in the old conditions, although there was an actual change in hundreds of lives, but the saloons, dens, hovels, gambling houses, still ran, overflowing their vileness into the lives of fresh victims to take the place of those rescued by the evangelist, and the devil recruited his ranks very fast.

Henry Maxwell did not go abroad. Instead of that he took the money he had been saving for the trip and quietly arranged a summer vacation for a whole family living down in the Rectangle who had never gone outside of the foul district of the tenement. The pastor of the First church will never forget the week he spent with this family making the arrangements. He went down into the Rectangle one hot day when something of the terrible heat of the tenements was beginning to be felt and helped the family to the station and then went with them to a beautiful spot on the coast, where, in the home of a Christian woman, these bewildered city tenants breathed for the first time in years the cool salt air and felt blow about them the pine scented fragrance of a new lease of life.

There was a sickly baby with the mother, three other children, one a cripple. The father, who had been out of work until he had been, as he afterward confessed to Maxwell, several times on the verge of suicide, sat with the baby in his arms during the journey, and when Maxwell started back to Raymond after seeing the family settled the man held his hand at parting and choked with his utterance and finally broke down, to Maxwell's great confusion. The mother, a wearied, worn out woman who had lost three children the year before from a fever scourge in the Rectangle, sat by the car window all the way and drank in the delights of sea and sky and field. It was all a miracle to her. And Henry Maxwell, coming back into Raymond at the end of that week, feeling the scorching, sickening heat all the more because of his little taste of the ocean breezes, thanked God for the joy he had witnessed and entered upon his discipleship with a humble heart, knowing for almost the first time in his life the special kind of sacrifice, for never before had he denied himself his regular summer trip away from the heat of Raymond, whether he felt in any great need of rest or not.

"It is a fact," he said in reply to several inquiries on the part of his church. "I do not feel in need of a vacation this year. I am very well and prefer to stay here." It was with a feeling of relief that he succeeded in concealing from every one but his wife what he had done with this other family. He felt the need of doing anything of that sort without display or approval from others.

So the summer came on, and Henry Maxwell grew into larger knowledge of his Lord. The First church was still swayed by the power of the Spirit. Maxwell marveled at the continuance of his stay. He knew very well that from the beginning nothing but the Spirit's presence had kept the church from being torn asunder by the remarkable testing it had received of its discipleship. Even now there were many of the members among those who had not taken the pledge who regarded the whole movement as Mrs. Winslow did, in the nature of a fanatical interpretation of Christian duty, and looked for a return of the old normal condition. Meanwhile the whole body of disciples was under the influence of the Spirit, and Henry Maxwell went his way that summer doing his parish work in great joy, keeping up his meetings with the railroad men, as he had promised Alexander Powers, and daily growing into a better knowledge of the Master.

Early one evening in August, after a day of refreshing coolness following a long period of heat, Jasper Chase walked to the window of his room in the apartment house on the avenue and looked out.

On his desk lay a pile of manuscript. Since that evening when he had spoken to Rachel Winslow he had not met her. His singularly sensitive nature sensitive to the point of irritability when he was thwarted, seemed to thrust him into an isolation that was intensified by his habits as an author.

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Fatal Hesitation.

"It appears that Charlie asked her to marry him."

"Yes."

"And she hesitated before she said 'yes.' Then Charlie said, 'Take a little time to think it over.'"

"Well?"

"And Charlie has never said anything more about it."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

A Case of Hiding.

It is considered the thing to hide the orchestra at a party behind a screen of palms. Why hide the orchestra? As a rule, the players are fine looking men, and it is interesting to watch them play. Why not hide some of the guests? They look worse than the orchestra.—Atchison Globe.

The great city of London began on the banks of the Thames, surrounded on all sides except the river by a bulwark of forest, interspersed with swamps. Paris rose on an island of the Seine, with a protecting wall of water all around.

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GIVE John P. Melvin of Bradford, candidate for district attorney, your hearty support.

GALLUP and Ward, candidates for county auditor, are well qualified. Give them your hearty support.

THE trouble in South Africa reached a crisis yesterday. The Transvaal forces invaded Natal. As far as known no fighting has been done yet.

LIEUT. COL. BARNETT, candidate for State Treasurer, made one campaign speech at Lebanon on Monday night, and found speech making such up hill work that he quit and went back to Philadelphia.

THE money in the country has increased nearly 35 per cent. in the three years since Mr. Bryan and his followers were trying to make us believe that only free coinage could cause an increase in our currency.

IT is a very pleasing prospect for the soldiers of the 10th Pennsylvania regiment who fought so bravely in the Philippine Islands to be sent through the State making speeches to bolster up the rotten Quay machine, in the hope of gaining a victory this fall for the dyed-in-the-wool tools.

IT seems that the advance in the prices of beef is not altogether chargeable to the "beef trust." Reports from Chicago quote the prices for live steers $6.90 per hundred as the highest paid in September since 1881. Can it be possible that the farmers have organized a live steer trust of their own?

THE "Spell Binders," that is the Republican speakers sent out by Chairman Reeder, are as afraid of touching upon State issues as old nick is supposed to be afraid of holy water. This situation makes every true Republican feel proud (!) of the situation. Be true men and cleanse the "Augian stable."

PETERSON and Boardman are circulating among the Republicans of the county and are making new friends daily. A vote cast for them is a vote cast for reliable and honorable men, well qualified for the position to which they aspire. With such able men in the county commissioners' office the business of the county will be properly conducted.

THE State League of Republican clubs in their convention at Harrisburg last week failed to pass resolutions endorsing Gov. Stone and his appointment of M. S. Quay to the United States Senate. This was a great surprise and a sad blow to the machine. Their resolution was drawn up and ready for presentation but they discovered a majority against the resolution.

FIND a resident of McKean county, if you can, who does not know and admire "Billie" Clarke, the Republican nominee for sheriff. He is coming down the home stretch like a streak of lightning, and is several laps ahead of his Democratic opponent. A vote for "Billie" on Tuesday, November 7, means a vote for one of the staunchest Republicans in the county, and one whose integrity cannot be questioned.—Port Allegany Press.

THREE years ago the "Matchless" was soliciting votes from Republicans on the grounds that should he fail in the election to the office of county commissioner he would be out of a job. In fact, that he depended upon it for his bread and butter. No doubt he obtained a great many votes in that way. Since then he has purchased the property in which the Democrat office is located, paying therefor $1,450, and a share in the Grand Central property. It would seem that the past three years of his incumbency of that office have been very profitable. In whose interests think you, Democrats, his aspirations are now centered—in the party's or in Hungiville's?

IT is unfortunate for Mr. W. A. King, the Democratic candidate for sheriff, that he is not a qualified voter of the county. We are reliably informed that at least for two years past he has paid neither a State or county tax. Good citizens usually attend to the paying of their taxes. They are desirous of doing their share towards supporting the government and in no way can as much be accomplished in that direction as in helping to furnish the "sinews of war." In the words of the Reporter of Saturday last, "if you want to vote you must pay a State or county tax within two years." Should a man be elected sheriff who has not performed this bounden duty of a citizen?—Kane Republican.

ABOUT the best way to treat the small fry editorial howler, in a political campaign, is to ignore him. His limited scope cuts him off from public attention unless other people in his same line regard him seriously, quote his words and engage in a controversy with him. By leaving him severely alone he is quite harmless.—Bradford Era.

Vague innuendoes, like the above, have been sent out from time to time by certain newspapers of the county. The above is a sample of how these newspapers defend the machine bosses. At heart these editors of a much higher grade of intellect than the "small fry editorial howler," are just as much dissatisfied with machine rule in Pennsylvania as any of the "small fry", but for the sake of being in line they bow and salam to the bosses, and attempt to make the people believe that "the King can do no wrong." There is not an editor in the State who does not, at heart, know that machine politics is rapidly ruining the Republican party of Pennsylvania. These newspaper writers are supposed to be watchmen on the outer walls of public safety; their readers look for the best of advice in the columns of their newspapers; their readers look for an honest and candid expression, and, instead of the golden grain, they are fed upon husks, and the attempt is made to mislead their readers into voting for anyone, no matter how thickly the tar of machine politics is spread upon their backs. Out upon such methods of newspaper work. When the editor, at heart, knows that machine politics are injurious to his party let him be true to himself and to his readers and warn them of approaching danger.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, Oct. 9, 1899.

Gen. Otis is showing, by unusual activity, that he doesn't intend to wait either for the reinforcements for his army, the additional warships ordered to Philippine waters on the advice of Admiral Dewey, or the close of the rainy season to begin the work of crushing out the rebellion. The military movements over there during the last two or three days were a part of the general plan fully known and approved at the war department, but the secret was so well kept that the press dispatches from Manila announcing them were very agreeable surprises to the public. There will be some more very agreeable surprises to the public sent from Manila in the near future, but no hint of their nature can be given at this time without violating confidence.

Senator Kyle, president of the Industrial Commission, who at one time tendered his resignation because of failing health, but was persuaded to withdraw it, is now presiding over the daily sessions of the commission, which have been resumed in Washington. Transportation is the present subject of investigation.

A delegation of Creek Indians who came to Washington to ask for changes in the Curtis law, have been informed that changes in the law can only be made by congress. The Indians claim that the law conflicts with the treaty made with them by President John Quincy Adams in 1825.

The last of the volunteer regiments for the Philippines are nearly recruited to their full strength. War Department officials are confident that they will be able to carry out Secretary Root's announcement when these volunteers were called for by getting them all to Manila by Christmas.

Nebraskans who have been in Washington recently appear to feel certain that the state will go Republican this year, notwithstanding Mr. Bryan's extraordinary efforts to prevent it. One of them, Mr. W. Sapp, said: "While opposed on principle to betting, I should be strongly inclined to make a wager that Nebraska will go Republican this year, if the proposition to do so were made to me. Although a strong Republican, it is not party bias which influences my opinion. I mix with the people and am confident that the fusionists are not nearly so strong in the state as they were in '96. Neither is Mr. Bryan regarded at home with anything like the feeling of hero worship that is manifested toward him in certain other sections of the United States. He can't begin to draw the crowds in Nebraska that he can at a Texas fair, for the people that know him best, while they respect and like him, do not see in him any extraordinary qualities of greatness as a statesman."

While Admiral Dewey is an extremely modest man, he has no mock modesty. Having decided to accept the home for which money had been donated he told the committee in charge of the funds that he preferred they should buy a house, and furnish it complete, so that he could just walk in and hang up his hat, because he would like to utilize it this winter in entertaining his friends; he also gave the committee very explicit directions as to where he wished the house to be located. Before leaving Washington for New England Admiral Dewey accepted an invitation to go to Atlanta, Ga., about Nov. 8, and re engaged quarters at the family hotel in which he lived when last in the city, which he will occupy when he returns, until the committee buys him a house. The Admiral expects to be in Washington when President McKinley returns, which is likely to be about the 20th inst.

The only thing that could possibly cause this government to offer to mediate between Great Britain and the Transvaal republic would be for the former government to join in the request already indirectly made by the latter. If there is war, as now seems probable, this government will maintain a strict neutrality. In notifying the government of the Transvaal republic that the United States could not recognize Gen. James B. O'Beirne of New York as its diplomatic representative the Department of State simply followed a rule as old as our government—not to allow an American citizen to diplomatically represent a foreign country at Washington. This rule was emphasized by the Secretary of State as early as when that portfolio was held by Thomas Jefferson, and later by Secretaries Fish and Evarts. Gen. O'Beirne is now in Washington. He has been received at the Department of State, but simply as any other American citizen would be received, not as the diplomatic representative of the Transvaal republic. Ex Secretary Sherman said of the suggested mediation of the United States: "I do not think the United States ought to seek in any way to interfere. We are too far away, and we should not involve ourselves in a controversy that might lead to war," and Representative Burton of Ohio said on the same subject: "I think it would be a very serious mistake for this government to offer mediation under existing circumstances."

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THE NEW RULE WILL NOT WORK.

In the discussion of the new state rule intended to give the state chairman power to determine Republican district nominations in certain contingencies legal opinion has been obtained to the effect that the rule cannot be made operative for the reason that the state convention has no authority to make rules for district nominations.

We have no doubt this view is correct. The same position has always been maintained by the Press, and it was recognized until now by the very influences responsible for the adoption of the new rule. Those influences have been appealed to for years to secure some action on the part of the state convention that would do away with the conferree system which is still maintained in some of the districts. The answer always was that the state convention had no authority in the matter, and when at last a state convention some years ago did take some notice of the conferree method it went no further than to recommend its abolition. It did not assume any authority to provide a new method.

The tricky and inventive politicians of the machine have a new situation before them, however. There are twenty five state senators to be elected next year, many of them in districts composed of more than one county. The chances of bringing about a deadlock in districts where the machine cannot be certain to nominate a Quay man are abundant. In order to make the outcome of the deadlock suitable to the Quay purpose the new rule has been made to put the result wholly in the hands of the state chairman. The state convention has no more authority to do that than it has to prescribe a definite plan by which all district nominations shall be made. The state convention can go no farther than to determine the election and qualification of its own members.

The business of making nominations for the districts or for counties lies solely with the Republicans of the districts or counties. If they want to retain a corrupt and antiquated conferree system they have a right to do so, but that does not give the state chairman any authority to interfere and make their nominations for them when they happen to disagree. No candidate seeking a district nomination can be justly deprived of his rights by attempted action under the new rule. A method which takes the nomination away from the people without their consent is not only unRepublican and a part with the most tyrannical and offensive of machine methods, but it has been declared by the courts an unlawful interference.

It is easy to foresee what would be the result of an attempt of the state chairman to exercise authority under the new rule, even if no appeal were made to the court. The candidate thus defrauded of the nomination would naturally appeal to the people of the district, as has been done in previous cases, and the party vote would be split. We do not believe the new rule can be maintained in practice even if some complaisant machine judge can be found to sustain it. It is a most obnoxious and inexcusable invasion of the rights of the people of the several districts on behalf of the machine and to the prejudice of the Republican party.

The trouble which any effort to apply the rule would certainly make can be avoided by the abolition of the conferree system from every district in which it still exists and the substitution of a rational and Republican system of making nominations. Such changes can be better made now than later, when all parties are in the heat of a contest.—Philadelphia Press.

COLOR PRINTING MACHINE.

A contribution to the rapidly growing list of color printing machines comes from Russia, the invention of Ivan Orloff, a government engineer. The Orloff machine puts on all the colors at one time, says the Omaha Bee, instead of applying one at a time as the other becomes dry, which is the practice with the ordinary flat color printing machine. The blocks which take the different colors are fixed to a large cylinder. Each block receives the supply of colored ink intended for it, and as the cylinder revolves the ink on each block is transferred to a composition roller very similar to an ordinary inking roller. After the colors, each in its proper position, are transferred to the roller, an engraved block or form follows and receives a perfect impression from the composition roller. Thus impressed the form passes on and comes in contact with the paper on the impression cylinder, where it prints all the colors at one operation. It takes only one revolution of the cylinder to effect the whole of these various transfers. The number of colors that can be used is limited only by the number of blocks and the size of the machine. It is stated that 1,000 finished impressions per hour can be turned out by this machine. It had a somewhat singular origin, having been designed for the Russian government to print multi colored patterns for bank notes.

Special Excursions to Philadelphia.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company has arranged for special excursion rates to Philadelphia on October 11 and 25, November 8 and 22, account National Export Exposition. Round-trip tickets, good to return within ten days, including day of issue, will be sold, on above dates from New York, Trenton, Belvidere, Atlantic City, Cape May, Pottsville, Reading, Wilkesbarre, Lancaster, Harrisburg, York, Williamsport, Canandaigua, Erie, and intermediate points at rate of single fare for the round trip, plus admission to the Exposition (no rate less than one dollar). For specific rates apply to ticket agents.

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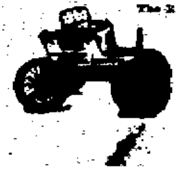

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Court Proceedings.

The cases of the Commonwealth vs Grant Smith, George Duffee, assault and battery, were tried together. The defendants helped Constable Eddy to arrest Abe Goodman in the famous 37-cent case.

In the case of the Commonwealth vs Geo. W. Eddy, assault and battery, the jury returned a verdict of not guilty but that he pay one half the costs and the prosecutor the other half.

After the motions were disposed of Sheriff Davis acknowledged the deeds for the property he had sold.

Daniel W. Healy of Bradford having passed the required examination was sworn in as a member of the bar. He presented the bar with a box of cigars as is the custom.

Judge Morrison heard arguments on the injunction against the Bradford Window Glass Company and the American Window Glass Company. This injunction was brought by James Randall of Hazelhurst, to restrain the Bradford Window Glass Company from selling its plant at Hazelhurst to the American Window Glass Company, alleging for his reasons that the American Window Glass Company is a trust endeavoring to get control of all the glass plants in the United States, and if this plant is sold to the company the works at Hazelhurst will be idle, thereby throwing a large number of men out of employment and practically killing the town. He also claims that this is contrary to his agreement with the Bradford Window Glass Company; that the trust will not carry out the agreement made with him and the Bradford Window Glass Company, to employ a certain number of men, run the plant for nine months in the year and continue in operation for a period of five years. The defendants have filed an answer, but the argument was confined wholly to the jurisdiction of the court, the defendants alleging that a court of equity has no jurisdiction in this matter. Preliminary injunction dismissed for the reason that in the opinion of the court the contract provided for a remedy, and that the complainant, therefore, had an adequate remedy at law.

Thursday Judge Olmsted sentenced those who were convicted and those who pleaded guilty in open court.

Charles Larabee, convicted of robbery, was sentenced to pay a fine of $50, costs of prosecution and undergo imprisonment in the Western Penitentiary for a period of three years.

James Wicks, convicted of breaking into and entering a dwelling house, and also of larceny, was sentenced to pay a fine of $50, costs of prosecution and undergo imprisonment in the Western Penitentiary for the period of three years.

Frank Stevens and David Pauch, who pleaded guilty to the charge of stealing a quantity of brass, were each sentenced to pay a fine of $5, costs of prosecution and undergo imprisonment in the Western Penitentiary for a period of two years.

Harry Hamilton, who pleaded guilty in open court to the charge of selling liquor without license, was sentenced to pay a fine of $500, costs of prosecution and undergo imprisonment in the county jail for a period of four months.

August Erickson, convicted of selling liquor without license, was sentenced to pay a fine of $500, costs of prosecution and undergo imprisonment in the county jail for a period of six months.

Albert Hunter, who pleaded guilty to the charge of larceny, was sentenced to pay a fine of $25, costs of prosecution and undergo imprisonment in the county jail for a period of four months.

E. A. Ellison, who pleaded guilty to the charge of the larceny of a razor, was sentenced to pay a fine of $25, costs of prosecution and undergo imprisonment in the Western Penitentiary for a period of one year.

W. F. Fitch, convicted of resisting an officer, was sentenced to pay a fine of $25, costs of prosecution and undergo imprisonment in the county jail for a period of four months.

George Golden, Jr., a youth of 17, who pleaded guilty to the charge of larceny, was ordered to be sent to the reformatory at Huntington, Pa.

In the matter of the bridge over the Allegany river in Annin township, the order withdrawing the report from the grand jury at this term was filed.

The case of the Commonwealth vs C. A. Terry, assault and battery, was continued and the defendant required to give bail in the sum of $20 for his appearance.

George W. Politles vs A. Guntas, motion for judgment granted.

Ellen C. Hanna et al vs Junius R. Clark et al, exceptions filed.

New York and Pennsylvania Lumber Co. vs A. T. Schofield et al, motion for rule on defendants to appear and plead, and order of court thereon filed.

The court appointed Emma B. Huey guardian of Imogen Leuffer.

C. L. Casterline & Co. vs L. D. Chamberlain, motion for judgment granted.

Use of A. P. Higgins vs Damarius R. Stewart, motion to direct the prothonotary to enter plea granted.

Edward Brooder vs Kate Baker, motion for judgment granted.

Helen Fuller vs Henry McMann, motion for judgment granted.

In the matter of the estate of Flora T. Newman, deceased, the deed of Sheridan Gorton, executor, was acknowledged in open court.

In the matter of the petition for the appointment of viewers for a bridge over Oswayo creek, in Ceres township, the court appointed C. M. Colegrove, C. Y. White and E. S. Carpenter.

The court appointed C. M. Colegrove surveyor, C. Y. White and D. H. Burnham viewers for a road in Ceres township, from King's Run road to Button Hollow road.

In the case of the Commonwealth vs Chas. P. Story, the prosecutor and defendant failed to appear and it was ordered that the defendant be discharged and that the prosecutor, Bessie Story, pay the costs.

In the matter of a petition for a bridge over Kinzua creek, on the road from Lafayette to Tally-Ho, the court appointed C. M. Colegrove surveyor, E. Sartwell and W. D. Gallup viewers.

The case of the Commonwealth vs G. Stein was heard in open court. The court ordered the defendant to pay the costs of the proceedings and pay to the wife the sum of $3 per week as long as she shall support the children and was held on his own recognizance of $300 condition that he comply with this order.

In the case of the Commonwealth vs Abe Goodman, surety of the peace, the court ordered the defendant discharged and that the prosecutor, M. L. Rosenthal, pay the costs.

George W. Eddy, Grant Smith and George Duffey, defendants, who had costs to pay and who departed without making the costs good, were called in open court and no response being made their recognizances were declared forfeited.

In the case of the Commonwealth vs Canine Allegretto, the court ordered that the defendant be released from jail and that he be admitted on his own recognizance of $300 condition for his appearance at the December term and that the county pay the officer's costs, no witness fees to be filed.

Argument court will convene October 21.

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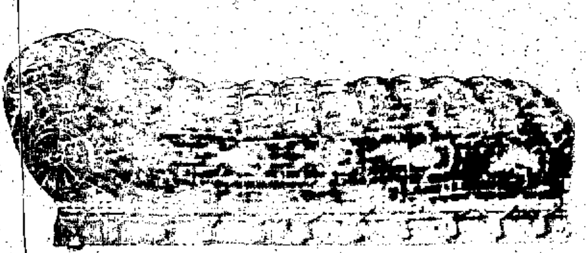

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

There are ten prisoners remaining in jail.

See J. Colegrove's bargain day ad. this week.

—J. Colegrove's store front has been beautified by paint.

—H. W. Marcus has a new and attractive ad. in this issue.

Work on John Green's new residence is being pushed with vigor.

The work on the Baptist church is fast nearing completion.

Dr. Burg Chadwick has placed some very fine show cases in his store.

The teachers' institute will convene at Port Allegany next Monday, Oct. 16.

—W. S. Hines of Machias, N. Y., has accepted a position in the harness shop of Chas. Lemmler.

—Coleman & Bell have moved their plumbing shop into the basement of the Chadwick block.

—Miss E. F. Doyle has moved into the low rooms of the Ford building and opened a millinery store.

—J. E. Andrews of Bradford has been appointed petroleum inspector for McKean county by the court.

—T. Close of East Smethport has won the contract for the wood work on Dr. Chadwick's new store.

Yesterday a very heavy but artistic iron grating was placed outside the north window of Hamlin & Son's bank.

George Bailey of Bradford was sent to the lockup for 20 days by Burgess Hogarth for being drunk and disorderly.

—The Mt. Jewett Herald says that the Masons of that thriving borough have rented a hall and will organize a lodge.

—Bell Bros., the popular Olean dealers, have a change of ad. this week. Be sure to read it as you are certain to profit thereby.

—H. W. Kubin & Co., the clothiers, have a new ad. which dwells on fall and winter clothing. Give them a call before purchasing.

—Harpers' Magazine, Weekly and Bazar are growing more interesting every issue. They ought to be welcome visitors in every home.

—T. H. Clark has made some decided improvements in his plumbing establishment. Tom is determined to keep up with the times.

We, the members of the W. C. T. U., wish to thank those who so kindly assisted, contributed so cheerfully and patronized so liberally, Oct. 3d.

The new flattening oven at the Camp [illegible] works started up yesterday. The [illegible] is 18 feet in diameter and the [illegible] are 60 by 90 inches.

[illegible] W. Blaine moved last Saturday [illegible] upper rooms of the Ford building [illegible] will soon move into the Burdick [illegible] on the south side.

[illegible] Watterson, the able editor of the Louisville Courier-Journal, will deliver a lecture on Lincoln at Allegany, N. Y., Wednesday, Oct. 18th.

[illegible] Powell has been awarded the contract for the erection of Andrew Campbell's house, corner Main and Hill streets. The work is rapidly progressing.

[illegible] Dr. Walker has been reappointed to serve the Smethport Methodist [illegible] church for the third year. He [illegible] both morning and evening.

The MINER is pleased to note that [illegible], who has been suffering [illegible] fever for the past summer, is rapidly improving and will soon be able to resume his duties in the Camp [illegible]

—[illegible] Sasse have three fine photographs in their show window. The first, members of the legislature in a group; the second, the assembly in session, and the third, the officers of the house. All are very fine.

—Mr. J. C. F. Dickson and Miss Jennie Thompson, both of Bradford, were married at the home of the bride Monday morning, Rev. William Coonan officiating.

—John Lindholm, who has been confined to the house for the past month with typhoid fever, is again able to be around. His many friends rejoice to see him looking so well.

—"Ike" Gleason, the photographer, has a new broad-gauge ad. in this issue. His long suit is graphophone records, and he also handles graphophones, kodaks, frames and mouldings.

—It will be seen by glancing at M. L. Armstrong's ad. that he has secured the services of a first-class watch and jewelry repairman. Give him a call if you want anything in that line.

—The vigilant committees of this boro and Keating first met Chairman Matson at the Wright House last night. They were entertained by the irrepressible and congenial Ike Reynolds.

—No school in the state has retained its force of teachers longer than the State Normal School at Clarion. No tried and faithful teacher has been willingly given up by the management.

—Ground was broken last Monday morning on Pearl street, Port Allegany, by E. P. Dalrymple for a large temporary building to be occupied by merchants who were burned out Friday night.

—Little Robert Brownell fell last Tuesday night, striking on his head, and received a cut over his right eye which required three stitches to close up. Rob was around next day as lively as ever.

—Guy McCoy was quite severely injured last week while practicing football, but was attending to his duties the forepart of this week. This will have a tendency to break up the football craze here.

—Dishes unmarked could not be returned to the parties who contributed to the W. C. T. U. meals, but can be claimed Wednesday of any week, between 3 and 4 o'clock, by calling at the M. E. chapel.

—The services held at St. Luke's church by Bishop Whitehead of Pittsburg last Saturday night and Sunday morning were most interesting. In the afternoon the Bishop went to Eldred where he held service.

—L. Emery, Jr., & Co., the reliable proprietors of Bradford's greatest supply house, have a change of ad in this issue. It is a pleasure to deal with this firm for their mammoth stock and unassailed reputation for honesty gives the customer a comfort and satisfaction in buying that is gratifying.

—There was another attempted jail delivery last Saturday, and only for the watchfulness of Turnkey Beiver there is no question but what Sheriff Davis would have been saved a trip to Pittsburg. The plans of the prisoners were well laid, but timely discovery frustrated their project. Repair the jail!

—List of letters remaining in the postoffice at Smethport for the week ending Oct. 7: Lewis Bolden, Harry M. Boyd, May Dunlap, Miss Della S. Frolick, E. G Luman, Harry Livigerton, Geo. Matteson, Alice Redmond, H. W. Sherburne, John Weaver. Persons calling for these letters please say "advertised."

—On Tuesday Sheriff Davis and Guy Mayo left for Pittsburg with Charles Larrabee, James Weeks, Frank Stevens, David Paugh and E A Ellison, who will serve time in the Western penitentiary, and Golden, Jr., aged 17 years, who goes to the reformatory at Huntington. Mr. Mayo did not go farther than Bradford.

—The supreme court in Philadelphia has rendered a decision in the celebrated railroad crossing case of this city. It is entitled the W. N. Y. & P. railroad company vs. the B. R. & P. railroad company. The decree of the court of common pleas of McKean county is reversed, the injunction dissolved and bill dismissed at cost of complainants.—Bradford Herald.

—A visit to the new glass works one day recently demonstrated the fact that the men who have it in charge are hustlers from away back. The main buildings are rapidly nearing completion, eight dwelling houses are enclosed and the foundations for several others commenced. Water mains, gas mains and sewers are laid and everything is progressing as rapidly as possible.

—The Superior Court affirmed Judge Morrison's decision in the case of McKean county vs. W. A. Young, appeal from the surcharges of the county auditors. While some of the surcharges made by the county auditors were not allowed by the court, the amount which W. A. Young was held by the McKean county court amounted to $87 27. The amount surcharged to the other two county commissioners, Davis and Hungiville, may not reach this figure.

—Word reached here last Saturday that Mr. Sidney Fordham, who spent several weeks here in company with his estimable wife at the residence of Fred McCoy during the summer, had died very suddenly at Corning, N. Y., Friday, Oct. 6, of heart disease. The deceased was a man of most scholarly attainments and one whom it was a pleasure to meet. He made many friends while sojourning here who with the MINER unite in tendering to his beloved companion heartfelt sympathy in her sad bereavement.

—A recent visit by the MINER man to the office of Dr. F. R. Young convinced him that there is no physician's office in this section that possesses a neater and better outfit for the practice of medicine and surgery than that of our friend, Dr. Young, over the store of D. C. Young. Everything is as neat as wax work. His large assortment of instruments are of the latest and most perfect design. His microscope and electric battery are as near perfection as the ingenuity of man can devise. The Doctor is now prepared to give his patients electrical treatment in the most modern forms. Everything in his office is up-to-date, and visit to it will be of great interest to anyone.

—Clinton county, like McKean county, has its mysteries. Two years ago last summer little Edna Creder of Haneyville, seven years of age, was most foully outraged and murdered and so far no trace of the fiend has been discovered. On the 6th of last April John Rohn of the western part of that county mysteriously disappeared and no trace of him, living or dead, has been found. The murder of the Austrian peddler, 6 miles south of Clermont in this county, remains a mystery. Sardo, the Hazelhurst murderer, has not been caught, and the man who murdered the Italian woman at Clermont some three years ago is still at large. Public safety demands that something be done to bring these murderers to justice.

—A Lycoming county lumberman witnessed an exciting incident a few days ago while passing through the woods. He heard a commotion high up in a tree and on investigating discovered a good-sized black snake in the act of squeezing the life from a large black squirrel. The snake had three or four coils around the body of the rodent, and was evidently reducing his victim to a pulp preparatory to the swallowing process. With the squirrel still in the coils the snake started down the tree, jumping from limb to limb, until finally it lost its balance and fell to the ground. The lumberman immediately dispatched the snake. The squirrel was found to be dead. The snake had evidently given up the tree and taken the squirrel by surprise.—Ex.

From Our Hattiesburg Correspondent.

HATTIESBURG, MISS., Oct. 8, 1899.

EDITOR MINER,

DEAR SIR:—No doubt through your exchanges you hear a great deal about negro lynching in the south, and how justice is miscarried. On the 25th of September there was a lynching three or four miles from our city, on one of the main thoroughfares leading from the city to a summer resort called Rawls Springs. A negro by the name of Will Oatis was lynched for an attempted rape of a 13-year-old girl. But from the most reliable information that can be obtained the negro was on one side of the river and the girl on the other at the time of the reported outrage.

But the ridiculous part of the proceedings comes now. Of course a coroner's jury was empaneled about 9 a. m. the next day, the negro still hanging there by the neck dead, dead, dead, with the hangman's noose securely fastened around his neck. By this time quite a large crowd had assembled, everyone wondering how the negro came to his death. Of course the jury had to have some evidence on which to base their report which would not incriminate any white man. While they were speculating how it happened a fellow came up who knew all about it. "Why," said he, "Will Oatis went out opossum hunting last night and as opossums are known to climb tall trees and go out on very small limbs which will not bear the weight of a man, Will Oatis took a rope with him, and finding that the opossum had gone out on a very small limb, and being determined to secure him and at the same time knowing that the limb would not hold up his weight, he fastened one end of the rope around his neck; the other end he fastened to a large limb and proceeded after the opossum. Of course the small limb broke, and so did Will Oatis' neck." This was the verdict of the coroner's jury. But I will say in justice to our people here this crime is deplored by all the better classes of society.

Big Fire at Port Allegany.

On Friday evening at about 7 o'clock fire was discovered in the three-story tenement house owned by Oscar Thoren on Maple street. The alarm was given and the local hose company responded, but could accomplish little on account of the lack of water.

The flames spread rapidly and in the remarkably short lapse of three hours eleven buildings were leveled to earth. After considerable work the pumps of the American Extract Works were connected with the water main which furnished a fairly good supply of water and by very creditable work on the parts of the firemen and citizens the fire was confined to the square bounded by Main, Maple and Willow streets and Arnold avenue, and the bank and J. S. Rowley's house and barn on this square were saved, although the Rowley buildings were quite badly scorched.

The buildings burned were: Allen's meat market, Garlson's tailor shop, Oscar Thoren's furniture store, Gerwick's bakery and grocery store and barn, Mrs. Ventres' millinery store, the Simar store occupied by W. C. Hooker as a racket store, Main street; Thoren's tenement house and Ward's insurance office, Maple street; the Golling house and barn Arnold avenue. The most valuable goods were saved from the fire.

The total damage is estimated by the more conservative ones at about $30,000, although some have placed it as high as $100,000. Most of the losses are nearly covered by insurance.

The writer was informed that before the Extract pumps had commenced forcing water into the main a stream could not be thrown ten feet from the nozzle, and that if a good stream could have been had at the start the fire would not have done $200 damage.

Ryan-McCarthy Nuptials.

On Wednesday morning, at 9 o'clock, another beautiful wedding was solemnized at St. Elizabeth's church, Smethport. The high contracting parties were Mr. Benton C. Ryan, a prominent business man of Kane and eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Ryan of this place, and Miss Margaret Mary, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. T. McCarthy of Keating township.

A few minutes after 9 o'clock the happy couple, accompanied by Miss Ella McCarthy, cousin of bride, and Mr. George McCarthy, brother of the bride, who acted as bridesmaid and groom respectively, arrived in a carriage and marched into the church to the sweet strains of the organ. Ere long Rev. Father Cosgrove took his place at the alter and made the twain one for life.

The bride was most beautifully gowned in white, and the groom dressed in regulation black. They certainly were a handsome couple.

After the ceremony the happy couple, with a host of friends drove to the residence of the bride's parents where a bountiful repast was most heartily enjoyed by the entire party. The happy couple boarded the 2:36 train for Buffalo. The MINER wishes them continued happiness.

Resolutions.

At a regular meeting of Smethport Hose Co., No. 1, on Oct. 6, 1899, the following resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, It has pleased Almighty God in His infinite wisdom to remove from our midst our faithful and beloved brother fireman, F. W. Rumsey; be it therefore

RESOLVED, That we, the members of Smethport Hose Co, No. 1, tender to the grief stricken family our heartfelt sympathy and condolence in their hour of sad affliction for the loss of a loving husband, a fond father, and a brave and honorable man, and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of these resolutions be printed in the McKean Democrat and MCKEAN COUNTY MINER and that a copy of the same be given the wife of our departed comrade.

HARRY BACKUS,
ROSS KRAFT,
SAMUEL RAMER,
Committee.

Miss E. F. Doyle & Co. have opened a millinery and ladies' furnishing store in the Ford building, second door north of the MINER office, and invites a fair share of patronage from the people of Smethport and vicinity.

Use Thornton & Chester flour, Scoullers Best and Patent, also Blue Seal. Thes R all hi grade flours. Flour iz advancing. Buy ov Ol Man Racket & save 10 to 20c on each sack.

Millions of dollars is the value placed by Mrs. Mary Bird, Harrisburg, Pa., on the life of her child, which she saved from croup by the use of One Minute Cough Cure. It cures all coughs, colds and throat and lung troubles. L. K. Hogarth & Co.

Ladies', Misses', Children's and Men's rubber over shoes at the Racket Store. Nu fresh goods just rec'd.

A. E. STICKLES

WANTED—At the Grand Central, Smethport, Pa., a girl who can do laundry or dining room work.

Hammocks at L. K. Hogarth & Co.'s all styles and prices. 31-tf

Hay U C the wagon load ov tobacco in Racket Store window. All fresh & nu.

Nails—Nails nails, big nails. Holmes & Gilfillan.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Charles McElvain and J. W. Boston visited Bradford Tuesday.

Waldo Sasse came down from Kane Sunday to visit his parents.

Mrs. John Forrest and Miss Mollie King visited Buffalo Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Sasse visited Port Allegany friends last Sunday.

Robert Reggel of Preble, N. Y., is a guest of F. F. Reggel of this place.

Pat Kilday of Port Allegany was greeting his many friends here to-day.

W. W. Hoy, C. E. N. T. Co., of Oil City was a visitor in town Monday.

Jay McGee of Colegrove was a pleasant caller at this office this morning.

L. Steinhauer of Farmers Valley was greeting friends in town Monday.

Misses Margaret Johnson and Julia Schott of Olean are visiting friends in town.

Mrs. Robert King and daughter, Miss Ora, drove to Port Allegany this morning.

C. E. McCoy and T. J. Hosch of Kane were guests at the Wright House Tuesday.

Judge Sol Ross of Wharton, Potter Co., was in town yesterday greeting old friends.

Walter H. Joerg of Coudersport was a guest at the Chautauqua House last Sunday.

Sheriff J. F. Davis and Deputy W. B. Clarke transacted business in Ceres Monday.

Paul Johnston of Harrisburg, the popular agent for Johnston & Co., was in town to-day.

Dr. Burg Chadwick visited Dunkirk Monday to attend the railway surgeons' convention.

Mrs. Fred Pratt and son returned last week from an extended visit with relatives in Michigan.

Miss Grace E. McCoy returned last week from a most enjoyable visit with Buffalo friends.

P. C. Blaisdell and C. V. Merrick of Bradford were pleasant visitors in town last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Herzog and Mr. and Mrs. Sandford L. Fry drove to Port Allegany on Sunday.

A. F. Keverel, excursion agent of the B., R. & P. R'y, was a pleasant caller at this office this morning.

W. L. Hamilton of Campbell, N. Y., a member of the Smethport Glass Company, was in town yesterday.

Miss Alice Thamm went to Allegany, N. Y., Monday where she has accepted a position in a millinery store.

H. C. Rich of Buffalo and R. B. Ford and L. G. Watson of Granere were transacting business in town yesterday.

Ned Newman has given up his clerkship at D. C. Young's store and has gone to Buffalo where he is attending school.

Attorneys W. I. Lewis and N. J. Peck, two of Coudersport's most influential citizens, transacted business in town Tuesday.

Republican County Chairman Myron Mason of Bradford was in town yesterday arranging matters for the coming election.

Mrs. C. H. Foster and mother in law, Mrs E. A. Foster, were guests over Sunday of R. F. Wright and wife, parents of Mrs. C. H. Foster.

A. A. Daly, who went to the Bradford hospital to have an operation for hernia performed, returned home Saturday very much improved.

G. H. Henning and wife drove to Ceres on Wednesday to be present at the wedding of Miss Allie White of that place to Edward Becker of Olean.

Commissioner Lemuel Davis spent Sunday in Kane, returning Monday accompanied by his esteemed better half, who is the guest of their daughter, Mr. S. D. Weaver.

A. M. Boardman of Derrick City was a most agreeable caller at this office yesterday. Mr. Boardman reports his canvass as progressing finely and seems well pleased with the outlook.

On Monday the MINER office was brightened by the ever pleasant A. G. McAllister of Colegrove, who for about three months has been doing extra duty at the different National Transit pump stations between here and New York city. Some of the localities visited by him were most pleasant, while others were not so desirable. But taken on the whole he had a most agreeable experience. He was so anxious to get back to Colegrove that he could hardly wait for the train.

It is Demonstrated and Observed

That the Pittsburg, Shawmut and Northern R'y Co. is doing most excellent work in the construction of the new road. And further that this company has made some deep excavations that ought to be drained or these places will become cess pools that will breed disease.

That Kane's extension of the K. & S. R. R., from McKean Bros.' mill westward, resembles a snake path in the grass more than it does a railroad.

That if Kane could get his various pieces of constructed railroad together, the work would resemble a crazy quilt.

That railroad companies would accomplish more if they would do less lawing and more grading.

That it is difficult to cross on a grade.

That if you desire to cross take the overhead route.

That people along the new railroad routes will respect the contractors more if they do more work and less lawing.

That asking for injunctions does not always build railroads.

That many are asking, will either road ever be finished? To which the MINER answers, yes.

That many are asking, when Kane reaches Smethport what will he connect with? Answer, with the C. & P. A. at Port Allegany.

That most of the Italians are brunettes.

That they are fond of maccaroni and do not object to a little beer.

McKean County Teachers' Institute.

At the institute to be held in Port Allegany, Oct. 16-20, 1899, the instructors will be Mrs. Anna E. Friedman, Prof. James Milne, Prof. S. G. Smith.

The evening entertainments are as follows: Monday, Uncrowned Kings, Dr. W. T. Sherman Culp; Tuesday, G. M. Parker Concert Company; Wednesday, Alton Packard, Humorist, Caricaturist Artist; Thursday, Apollo Male Quartette Company.

J. E. MYERS Co. Sup't of Schools.

During the winter of 1897 Mr. James Reed, one of the leading citizens and merchants of Clay, Clay Co., W. Va., struck his leg against a cake of ice in such a manner as to bruise it severely. It became very much swollen and pained him so badly that he could not walk without the aid of crutches. He was treated by physicians, also used several kinds of liniment and two and a half gallons of whisky in bathing it, but nothing gave any relief until he began using Chamberlain's Pain Balm. This brought almost a complete cure in a week's time and he believes that had he not used this remedy his leg would have had to be amputated. Pain Balm is unequalled for sprains, bruises and rheumatism. For sale by L. K. Hogarth & Co.

Don't You Read This

Having put up a boot blacking chair in Hungerford Bros.' barber shop, I wish to call your attention to the fact that you can get your shoes shined in a first-class manner. I am also agent for the Pittsburg Times, Despatch and Post and the Buffalo News and Times. Will furnish my patrons with the Buffalo Sunday News. Come and see me. Shine or news which ever you choose.

38-tf ELWOOD GASKINS

Creamery Report.

Following is the statement of the Nunundah Butter & Cheese Co., L't'd, for the month of September:

Milk received,	50,784 lbs
Fat extracted,	2,246 lbs
Butter made,	2,800 lbs
Butter sold for,	$567.00
Cream and buttermilk sold for	$11.50
Creamery earnings,	$62.41
Price of fat per pound, net,	22.2 cts
Average price of butter during month,	22.5 cts

Joseph Stockford, Hodgdon, Me., healed a sore running for seventeen years and cured his piles of long standing by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. It cures all skin diseases. L. K. Hogarth & Co.

Bargains in Men's pantaloons, Ladies' & Gent's winter underwear, work & dress shirts. RACKET.

The Room [illegible] formerly occupied by [illegible] to rent. Call on L. K. [illegible] Water street.

CORRESPONDENCE.

COLEVILLE.

Tommy McKerney, who shot himself some time ago, is able to be out again.

Mrs. Lettel of Knox was in town Monday.

H. K. Moore transacted business in Farmers Valley Saturday.

J. L. Yerdon drove to Bradford Tuesday.

S. H. Elder and Albert Digel had business in Bordell Tuesday.

W. J. Dibble drove to Farmers Valley Saturday.

Ray Mosier of Southard was calling on friends in town Sunday.

Mrs. Grace Digel is on the sick list.

Messrs. John Clark and D. W. Wright drove to Turtle Point Sunday.

C. E. Brown has returned to his home in Independence, N. Y.

J. W. Bickenbrode of Buffalo was in town Monday.

George Greer of Bradford visited at A. E. Greer's Sunday.

S. H. Elder transacted business in Bradford Monday.

G. W. McCord had business in Davis Tuesday.

Miss Julia Patton of Farmers Valley is visiting her sister, Mrs. Boylan.

Mrs. Ellis Brewer of Hazelhurst is visiting her father, G. W. McCord.

Misses Lulu McCord and Jessie Freeman visited friends in Hazelhurst Saturday.

Mrs. Martha Oliphant of North Clarendon is visiting relatives and friends in town.

R. E. Smith has a fishing job on Morse & Rhodes' well.

J. L. Boylan, who has been on the sick list for some time, is slowly recovering.

Miss Bessie Hyatt of Bew City was in town Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Yerdon visited relatives in Smethport Sunday.

LARABEE.

Miss Sarah McDonald, who has been quite ill with la grippe for the past week, is now convalescing.

Z. H. Carpenter and sister, Callata, visited at the home of their aunt, Mrs. R. A. Rice, in Eldred Saturday.

Mrs. Nellie Pfeifer of Roulette was a pleasant caller in town on Friday last.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Taylor and son, Edward, of Turtlepoint visited relatives in town Sunday.

Mrs. Mabel White of Rushequa called on Mrs Jessie Carpenter Monday.

Mrs. F. C. Crandall and daughter, Cecil, visited Olean Friday.

J. H. Layton of Olean was greeting old friends here on Saturday.

Samuel S. Prentiss of Prentissvale was in town Friday.

C. T. Wilcox came down from Smethport Saturday.

Prof. Haren Heath was a guest of F. C. Crandall over Sunday.

Miss Minnie Smith is visiting friends in Port Allegany.

Mrs. M. M. Carpenter visited Mrs. Frank Carpenter at Slack Hollow Saturday.

Otis Willis of Portville was in town on Monday.

Chas. Harrington of Hazelhurst visited this place Monday.

The conflagration at Port Allegany Friday evening was plainly visible here.

Mr. and Mrs. Mac Windsor and daughter, Hazel, of Clermont visited at W. E. Windsor's Monday.

Apple buyers in great numbers are circulating among our farmers this week.

FARMERS VALLEY.

East Valley is booming. A new railroad, glass factory and chemical works.

Mrs. E. J. Cooper has gone to Olean to spend the winter with her daughter, Mrs. Charles Olds.

Miss May Landis of Olean, who has been visiting her grandparents, has returned home.

J. C. Trumbull visited friends in Ceres last week.

Mrs. Wm. Glavin, who has been sick, is slowly improving.

Miss Mary McGill is teaching the primary room at East Smethport.

Mr. and Mrs. P. H. McGill called on friends at Open Brook last Sunday.

Miss Tina Otto has gone to Ohio to spend the winter with her sister.

Everel Spencer of Moody Hollow visited his parents in this place last Sunday.

Turkeys are plentiful around Moore school yard.

Mrs. H. Cooper and children of Portville are visiting at the home of H. D. Otto.

Mrs. Derby, the steward of the U. B. church, is very busy attending to arrangements for the great fair which is to be held in Farmers Valley.

E. A. Smith will spend the winter with her daughter, Mrs. Blanch Bohem, in Ohio.

Willie Grigsby is the owner of a new bicycle.

Edson Purtle, who has been sick, is better.

Our schools will have a vacation next week.

Coryville, you had better get a hustle on if you expect to keep up with us.

Notice to Wheelmen.

We, the undersigned, do hereby agree to refund the money on a 25 cent bottle of Henry & Johnson's Arnica and Oil Liniment, if it fails to cure bumps, bruises, scratches, chafes, cuts, strains, blisters, sore muscles, sunburn, chapped hands or face, pimples, freckles, or any other ailments requiring an external application. Lady riders are especially pleased with Arnica and Oil Liniment, it is so clean and nice to use. Twenty five cents a bottle; one three times as large for 50 cents.

L. K. HOGARTH & Co.
H. C. WELLS.

On the 20th of December, 1897, Rev. S. A. Donahoe, pastor M. E. Church, South, Pt. Pleasant, W. Va., contracted a severe cold which was attended from the beginning by violent coughing. He says: "After resorting to a number of so-called 'specifics,' usually kept in the house, to no purpose, I purchased a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, which acted like a charm. I most cheerfully recommend it to the public." For sale by L. K. Hogarth & Co.

Wear Lewis Wear Resister Shoes for ease, durability and comfort—2 B found at the Racket Store.

Repair your roof. Shingles or roofing paper. Holmes & Gilfillan.

DENTISTRY.

Modern, scientific and up-to-date.

Painless extraction of teeth. Over 25 years' experience.

Satisfaction guaranteed.

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Special attention paid to sore feet and all diseases that can be cured by careful shoeing.

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Jackets, Skirts, Capes and Suits

Tailor Made and ready to wear.

Jackets $8.50

Instead of $11.25. Double breasted reefer Jacket of Cheviot, made beautifully. This price is below their present value.

Tailor Made Suits

$10.00, $13 75, $18.00, $25.00 up to $50.00. "The Renown" suits have a reputation for excellence of workmanship, style and beauty of fabric. You make no mistake in buying the popular tailor made garments.

New Fall Waists in Flannel and Silk

$4.98 a beautiful satin waist with tucked fronts, very stylish. Flannel waists at $1.98, $2.50 and $3.50.

Dress Goods and Silks.

These departments are especially attractive this season. The new cheviots so desirable for suits are much in demand. Prices in 54", 85c, $1.00, $1.25 up to $2.00 per yard.

The new Kerseys, so desirable for suits and jackets, can be made up without linings. Shades, brown, castor, blue, grey and black. Many new weaves in silks at 75c, 85c, $1.00 and $1.25. Assortment for evening wear and wedding occasions strictly up to date.

Don't Forget our Millinery Department.

You can depend upon the style being right every time, if bought here. We don't copy nor allow ourselves to be copied. Prices always popular.

Bell Brothers,

The Leading Dry Goods, Carpet and Furniture House in Southwestern N. Y.

Cash Bargain Day,

Saturday, Oct. 14,

At J. COLEGROVE'S

Prepared buckwheat in 3 pound pkgs Will start it to-day at 15c pkg.

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Grieve not; it is the law. Love will be flying—
Yes, love and all.
Glad was the living, blessed be the dying!
Let the leaves fall.
—Harriet Monroe in Century.

Thanks to Xenophon.

Being a Story of a Greek Tutor, a Small Boy and a Pretty Sister.

BY HOWARD MARCUS STRONG.

By reason of a stupid blunder on the part of the compilers of our curriculum it became necessary to hurl the classical grops into the midst of Xenophon's Anabasis before they had completely mastered the Greek alphabet.

Traveling a rougher road than did Cyrus we marched up with the 10,000 hoplites and took part in the battle of Cunaxa. At this point an unexpected examination developed our weakness in grammar and precipitated an inglorious retreat. An instructor of the section, I naturally shared in the common ignominy, a fact which did not tend to increase my amiability in the classroom.

Out of the 12 dolts intrusted to my care "Inky" Allen was perhaps the most obtuse, and upon him my wrath descended with great frequency.

"Allen," I commanded one morning, "bring me whatever that is you have in your book. You are giving it more attention than your lesson."

"It's nothing," he responded, removing the object from the cover of his Xenophon and hiding it beneath his seat.

It took several minutes of insistence and a dire threat of corporal punishment to separate the culprit from his treasure. With great reluctance he finally deposited it upon my desk. It was an artistic photograph of a young lady. Several times during the recitation I withdrew my gaze from the picture, only to find operations suspended and the class regarding me with looks of ill concealed wonder. I told Inky that he might remain after the others had departed, as I had something to say to him. He grinned cheerfully.

"Allen," I began sternly when we were alone, "whose picture is this?"

"Ett's."

"Whose?"

"Henrietta Joyce Allen's—my sister's."

"It will be necessary," I said firmly, "for me to retain possession of this until there is a noticeable improvement in your conduct. You may go now."

The following day "Inky" grew very much agitated while engaged in scrawling the ramifications of a Greek verb on the blackboard. Catching my eye upon him, he jerked his head at an alarming rate and pointed energetically out of the window. Fearing some dire catastrophe, I hastened to his side.

"There she goes," he whispered hoarsely, "on the other side of the street. Look quick."

It was the original of the photograph, only far more sweet and dainty. When directly opposite she glanced up at the window and, catching sight of "Inky," smiled and waved her hand. An angle of the building prevented my seeing her after she had picked her way across the crossing.

"It was her," Inky whispered. "It was Ett. Ain't she a peach?"

As our quarterly literary exercises drew near Inky set himself the task of committing a passage from the original Greek.

"I want to do something extra," he confided to me, "because they're all coming, dad and Ett and the mater."

It is useless to deny that I looked forward to this event with a considerable amount of pleasure. Much time was spent in furthering Inky's laudable ambition and in correcting his accent. I felt thankful, however, that the odds were against any person being present who could follow his Greek declamation with anything like an intelligent understanding.

The eventful day at last arrived, and with it the Allens. Inky was nervous and half choked by the height of his collar, but he hastened to introduce me to his father, a big, red faced man, with a grip like a vise, and to his mother, an impressive lady who gave me two fingers and looked over my head.

"Ett's coming, too," Inky informed me, with a wink. "She hasn't got all her fixings on yet."

A moment later Miss Allen entered with Archibald Lyden. I am not an expert on the subject of feminine apparel, but I do know that she wore something pink and fluffy that was very becoming. Lyden I had known as an honor man at college, and I thought with uneasiness of Inky's declamation.

Inky presented me to his sister and volunteered the information that I was "all right" and "a mighty square fellow."

She said that she was delighted to meet Ingram's instructor, and I said—I do not remember what. Lyden's presence annoyed me. I had hoped so much of this first interview.

Inky's performance was even worse than I had anticipated. I think his collar was partly to blame for the muted sounding of his linguals and the ghastly aspiration of his vowels. Lyden laughed throughout the entire duration of the agony. Every one seemed relieved as it drew to a close.

When the remaining exercises were over, Inky started out to show his friends the "lay" of the building. They seemed particularly interested in my recitation room, at least I felt that such was the case with Miss Allen. As she moved to one of the windows she chose to mention that once in passing she had glanced up and found Inky and myself watching her with painful interest.

Just as they were all filing out of the room I saw Inky deftly abstract his sister's handkerchief and drop it on the floor. Seeing me start to pick it up, Inky shook his head savagely. A moment later Miss Allen returned alone.

"I am always losing my handkerchief," she said. "Brother thinks that he saw one on the floor in your room."

I hastened to restore the missing article and doubtless blushed at my own duplicity.

"We have heard so much of you," she continued. "Ingram regales us each evening with a veracious chronicle of your day's doings."

"Ett," broke in the voice of Inky from the doorway, "make him show you what he has in the desk. Say, that Lyden's a stiff. I'll get even with him. He laughed all the time I was reciting."

"It is true," said Miss Allen when her brother had again disappeared. "Mr. Lyden did laugh, and I don't think it was a bit nice, do you?"

Of course I did not.

"But what was it Ingram wished me to see?" she continued. "Did he say it was in your desk? Please show it to me at once. My curiosity is of the kind that will not be brooked."

"I beg of you," I began, very much embarrassed; "it is really nothing at all." And in that statement I was merely quoting Inky's own words.

"May I look?" she persisted, resting one white hand on the old battered lid of the desk. "I'm going to."

I was powerless. Her smile fairly turned my head.

"I shall refuse you nothing," I murmured.

The next moment she had the lid up and was rummaging through an accumulation of books and papers. She came upon it suddenly.

"Oh," she cried, "where did you get it?"

I explained that I had taken it from her brother and had unlawfully retained it in my possession. Unfortunately, she soon turned it over and discovered the verses penciled on the back.

"That is very silly," she observed severely, and then with a demure smile, "But it is very clever."

Without looking up she replaced the photograph in the desk and closed down the lid.

After Mr. Lyden and the Allens were all clear of the building Inky came rushing back to my room.

"What do you think of her?" he inquired eagerly.

"I never met a more agreeable young lady," was my guarded reply.

"Of course you didn't," he said gleefully. "Ett's a hummer. You ought to hear her play the piano and sing. And she writes poetry, too, but I'm the only one that knows it. Say, why don't you go in and win? I'll back you."

"Ingram," I said solemnly, "these matters are entirely too serious and sacred to be made light of."

Inky grinned and clacked his tongue in his cheek.

"Say," he cried suddenly, "did any of your people get cut up in the Revolution?"

"Several of them," I replied.

"Good enough!" he exclaimed. "That's big casino with the mater! Oh, I see Lyden's finish!"

A few days later Inky whispered to me during class that I was soon to be invited "up to the house" and must on no account fail to respond in person. The invitation did arrive, and I availed myself of the privilege.

Mr. Allen was jovial; the mater grew deeply interested in my family tree; Miss Allen treated me with great kindness; Inky could scarcely refrain from standing on his head. The presence of Lyden as an old friend of the family alone marred the pleasure of the evening.

I was not aware that during the succeeding days my treatment of Inky grew any more lenient, yet it seems that there was sufficient partiality displayed to excite the envy of the other students. This fact was deduced from a conversation accidentally overheard. In the words of the oracle, Inky would continue to have a "cinch" while the "prof" was "rushing" his sister.

"The money's seven to two in your favor," Inky remarked one Friday afternoon as I was going home with him after school, for such had become my custom. "Lyden isn't one, two, three. He's out of the race; left at the pole."

That particular afternoon was destined to become one of the happiest periods in my life. Miss Allen was alone and received me with outstretched hands. Inspired by Inky's confidence, I risked all and won. After an infinite elapse of time we saw Inky emerge from a dim corner of the room.

"Ingram," said his sister, "was it nice of you to try and overhear confidences?"

"Ett," Inky replied, "I couldn't stay away. I was afraid he would flunk at the last minute, and you don't know how hard I've worked to have him distance Lyden."

I think I hugged him, much to his disgust, and I know that his sister added to his confusion by kissing him.

"Ingram," I said, "now tell me the truth. What first put the idea into your head?"

"Well," he grinned, "I knew I'd never make the riffle in Greek unless something dropped. I heard of a fellow whose teacher graded him away up because of his sister, and that's the reason I worked off Ett's picture on you. Then Lyden laughed at my Greek declamation, and I swore I'd wind up his kite string. That's all."

"And you cared nothing for me?" I asked.

"Oh, you'll pass!" he said.—Philadelphia Press.

He Took the Hint.

General Harrison, in 1889, sent Dr. Bedloe of Philadelphia to Canton as consul. During his term the doctor was spending a month or two in Washington and was largely in evidence in social and political circles. About this time the Gridiron club gave a dinner and both gentlemen were guests. The doctor told a few stories early in the evening, and later on the president made a speech.

"I was charmed," he said in his soft, graceful way, "to hear the clever anecdotes from our distinguished consul to—I mean from Amoy." Then he passed on to other topics, but the doctor took the hint, and the next steamer carried him back to his post.

It was not the first time that Dr. Bedloe had experience with presidents at club dinners. Once President Cleveland was a guest at the celebrated Clover club in Philadelphia, of which the doctor is a famous wit. The Cloverites always interrupt their guests when they rise to speak. Knowing this, Mr. Cleveland began:

"Go on, gentlemen; I am prepared for the worst."

There came an instant's pause, and the doctor cackled shrilly:

"So are we."—Philadelphia Post.

Music and Matrimony.

Captain Becker, an official of the Kongo Free State, won the affection of many of the natives in a very curious way. He bought a good loud playing barrel organ and allowed the natives to turn the handle. The captain was very anxious that the people should be married in accordance with the Christian religion, and when it was known the organ would be played at all such marriages the increase in the number of Christian weddings was remarkable. Things were generally arranged so that one wedding took place each day, in order that the organ might be heard regularly. It turned out afterward that several couples had been married twice, in order that the organ might be played at their nuptials.—Sussex News.

Doing Without the Dot.

The small letter "i" was formerly written without the dot. The dot was introduced in the fourteenth century to distinguish "i" from "e" in hasty and indistinct writing. The letter "i" was originally used where the letter "j" is now employed. The distinction between "i" and "j" was introduced by the Dutch printers at a comparatively recent date, and the "j" was dotted because the "i," from which it was derived, was written with a dot.

In Luck.

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AN UNCANNY STORY.

ORIGIN OF THE "SOULLESS MONSTER OF FRANKENSTEIN."

The Interesting History of an Old Time Novel That Is Often Alluded to in Literature and at Times Quoted Incorrectly.

Everybody, or nearly everybody, has heard of the novel of "Frankenstein," though it is not probable that many persons read it nowadays. There are so many allusions to it in our literature, however, that one absorbs some sort of a notion of it so that he cannot help knowing that it is a weird and ghastly story about a monster, but whether or not Frankenstein is the monster even well informed people do not always know, showing that they never read the story.

Sometimes we hear allusions to "Frankenstein's monster," as in one of Charles Sumner's orations, where he speaks of the "soulless monster of Frankenstein, the wretched creation of mortal science without God," and sometimes the reference is to Frankenstein only, as if he were the monster. Of course Sumner, who was very particular in his use of figures of speech, was right. When Mrs. Deland, in her fine novel of "Sidney," makes Major Lee say that "Christianity is a Frankenstein," she suffers the major to talk nonsense.

The story of this weird novel and the circumstances under which it came to be written are decidedly interesting and may be told in a few words. The facts are as follows:

In 1816 Mary Godwin, afterward Mrs. Shelley, eloped with Shelley, and they took up their residence near Geneva, in Switzerland. They had Lord Byron for a neighbor, and the three passed much time together. Their conversation frequently ran on the occult and the mysterious, and Byron one day proposed that each should write a ghost story. All agreed and went to work, but it was not long before the two poets gave it up as a hopeless task. They could write poetry, but they could not write stories.

Mary persevered and completed her tale in the spring of 1817. When Byron and Shelley heard it read, they were surprised and delighted. It was bound to be the novel of the century! The name of it was "Frankenstein; or, The Modern Prometheus." It was immediately sent to London for publication and met with a great success.

Frankenstein is a Swiss youth, a student at the University of Ingolstadt, deeply interested in the study of chemistry and natural philosophy. He resolves to penetrate the mysteries of life and death and wrest from nature the secret of creation. After prolonged study he succeeds and discovers how to impart movement and animation to lifeless matter.

He then resolves to mold a colossal man, making him beautiful in form and feature and imbue him with life. He carries on his work in a studio far from the habitations of man, labors long and secretly, and at last the work is completed. There in the great room lies the form and semblance of a human being, perfect in all his proportions. Frankenstein relates the story:

"It was on a dreadly night in November that I beheld the accomplishment of my toils. With an anxiety that almost amounted to agony I collected the instruments of life around me that I might infuse a spark of being into the lifeless thing that lay at my feet.

"It was already 1 o'clock in the morning. The rain pattered dismally against the window panes, and my candle was nearly burned out, when, by the glimmer of the half extinguished light, I saw the dull yellow eye of the creature open. It breathed hard, and a convulsive motion agitated its limbs."

Slowly the immense creature arose, and the artist, frightened at his own work, fled away. Then he returns to find his creation possessed of life and every attribute of humanity except a soul. Nowhere can it find human sympathy. It is out of harmony with all things about it, and after searching the world in pursuit of happiness it returns again to Frankenstein and demands that he make a companion with whom it can live in sympathy and love.

Frankenstein declines, and thenceforth the monster pursues him with hatred and revenge. It slays his brothers and sister, his friend and his bride. It follows him to Russia, to Siberia and into the Arctic ocean, and there creature and artist perish together. It is a most uncanny story to read o' nights.

Sir Walter Scott reviewed the novel in The Quarterly, but while admitting its power confessed he did not like it. "Our taste and our judgment revolt at this kind of writing." All the critics agreed as to its daring originality.—Chicago Post.

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He (at breakfast)—My dear, the paper says there was quite a fire in our block early this morning. It is supposed to have been the work of an incendiary.

She—Well, don't let a little thing like that worry you.

He—Why, what do you mean?

She—Nobody will ever accuse you of building it.—Chicago News.

A Perfectly Natural Question.

"Pat," said his young wife, "I wish you wouldn't put your knife in your mouth when you eat."

"An phwere would yez hev me put it," said Pat in astonishment, "in me eyes?"—Harper's Bazar.

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Holt stayed a few days at the inn, and on his departure boldly asked for his bill. "Sir," said the hostess, "it is I who owe you, not you who owe me." So he departed. Forty years afterward, being on circuit, he had to try a woman charged with sorcery and witchcraft. She healed sick persons miraculously, and therefore by the help of the devil. Being questioned, she acknowledged that she used a charm which generally worked a cure.

"Let me look at it," said the judge.

She handed him a small cloth roll. Within it he found a paper with certain characters. Then the memory of his trick came back to him.

"You were yourself," he said, "once cured of an ague by the use of this charm?"

She said that was so. Then he turned to the jury and related the whole story and dismissed the poor old woman. But as for the charm, the court impounded it and the poor witch lost her power.—Detroit News.

SHORT ON GOOD STORIES.

The Predicament of a Woman With Seven Calls to Make.

"Seven visits to make in one afternoon! Well, I think I can manage it. Some of them may not be at home, and I can make an early start. Let me see. There's that anecdote about Ethel's fox terrier and the cute speech of little Bob and that awfully clever thing that Dexter told the other night about the Goddess of Liberty. Is that all I have in stock? Oh, dear, no! There's that quotation from 'The Pneumatic Woman' that struck me so. I haven't got it off to any one yet, and I dare say it will go as original. Not one person in ten has heard of 'The Pneumatic Woman.'

"Is that enough for seven calls? I'm afraid not. Well, there's always the weather. Really, if it came to the point, I'd rather talk interestingly about any old subject than stupidly about a brand new one. There's more art in it. I wonder if I dare risk that joke about Clara again? I've told it so many times lately—indeed, I won't be sure that some of the times were not at the very places I'm going.

"How mean it is that Maude made me promise not to repeat that lovely bit of gossip she gave me this morning! I haven't heard anything so delicious for a long time. Well," with a sigh, "I promised on my word of honor I wouldn't tell, and"—another sigh—"why, here we are at Mrs. Somebody's. I wonder if I have enough to talk about for seven calls? Oh, well, some of them may be out—and—oh, dear, if I only hadn't promised Maude!"—Cincinnati Enquirer.

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[illegible] of the [illegible] in this city [illegible] underwent a minor operation for granulated eyelids. "I had to sit for three days in total darkness, and, being a confirmed smoker, I longed for the solace of a cigar. The first difficulty I encountered was in getting a light, and I wouldn't confess my helplessness until I had burned off half my mustache. Then I let my wife hold the match, but I kept complaining that the tobacco wouldn't ignite. My wife would assure me that it was burning like a furnace, but I couldn't taste a thing.

"One of the main pleasures of the habit, although we don't realize it, is to exhale the smoke gently and watch it curl up into the air. I caught myself straining after that sight a hundred times, and there was an overwhelming sense of something missing. Except when I inhaled the smoke it was absolutely impossible to tell whether the cigar was going, so I got some cigarettes and inhaled every one. But it was a poor substitute. I felt instinctively that I was getting only a morsel of the old delight.

"When they took off the bandage, I grabbed my pipe with an avidity that surprised the entire household. I have been trying to catch up ever since."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

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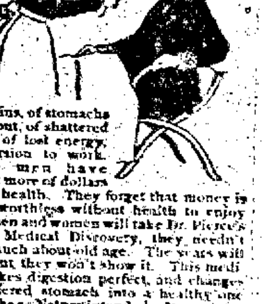
PREMATURELY OLD.

A man ought not to feel old, or to be old until well up towards the nineties, but nowadays you don't see many such men. Instead, you hear people no older than 40 or 45 who begin to complain of tired backs



and brains, of stomachs giving out, of shattered nerves, of lost energy, of aversion to work. These men have thought more of dollars than of health. They forget that money is almost worthless without health to enjoy it. If men and women will take Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, they needn't worry much about old age. The years will go by, but they won't show it. This medicine makes digestion perfect, and changes a disordered stomach into a healthy one that works as Nature intended. It regulates the liver, enriches the blood and tones the nerves. It prevents consumption by curing bronchitis, lingering coughs and bleeding lungs. The "Discovery" contains no alcohol; no false or uncertain stimulus; the power it gives is the power of Nature: deep, genuine and lasting. It does not create a craving for stimulants. In serious cases of sickness, Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y., will give free advice and counsel to those who write him.

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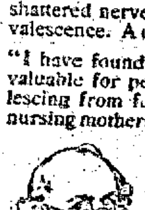

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Time Table taking effect Sept. 24th, 1899.

LEAVE SMETHPORT.

[illegible] A. M.—Mail and Express, daily except Sunday, for [illegible] Junction, Simpson, Bradford, and daily except Sunday, for Mount Jewett and Kane, connecting with P. & W. Ry. for Foxburg, Butler and Pittsburg.

10:15 A. M.—Daily, except Sunday for Ormsby Junction, Simpson, Bradford, Mt. Jewett and Kane.

2:15 P. M.—Express, daily except Sunday, for Bradford, Ormsby Junction, Mt. Jewett, Kane and intermediate points, connects at Kane with Penn. R. R. (P. & E. Div.) for Sheffield, Tiona, Clarendon, Warren, Irvineton, Corry, Union City and Erie.

5:20 P. M.—Mail and Express daily for Ormsby Junction, Mount Jewett and Kane, connecting at Kane with P. & E. train 4 for Wilcox, Johnsonburg, Ridgway, Emporium, Harrisburg, Baltimore, Washington and Philadelphia—and at Bradford with Erie R. R. train 10 for Salamanca, Olean, Hornellsville, Elmira and New York. Daily except Sunday for Bradford and intermediate points.

Trains arrive at Smethport 9:05 a.m. and 6:55 p.m. daily, and 12 m. and 3:40 p.m. daily except Sunday.

JNO. C. McKENNA,
Gen. Pass. Agent,
Bradford, Pa.

COUDERSPORT & PORT ALLEGANY Railroad Time Table, takes effect Monday June 15, 1[illegible]8

No. EAST'W'D.	STATIONS.	No. WEST'W'D.
A.M. A.M. P.M. Ar.		Dp. A.M. P.M. A.M.
8 [illegible] 7.15 2.10	Ulysses	7.32 2.20 [illegible]
[illegible]	Crowell	[illegible]
[illegible]	Carpenter	[illegible]
[illegible]	Perkins	[illegible]
[illegible] 7.25 1.50	Newfield Junction	7.47 2.46 [illegible]
[illegible] 1.45	Newfield	[illegible]
[illegible] 6.54 1.41	Gold	7.55 2.54 [illegible]
[illegible] 1.35	Raymond	[illegible]
[illegible] 1.24	Seven Bridges	[illegible]
[illegible] 1.21	Colesburg	[illegible]
[illegible] 1.14	Frink's	[illegible]
[illegible] 1.06	North Coudersport	[illegible]
[illegible] 6.35 1.00 Dp.		Ar. 8.36 3.36 [illegible]
P.M. P.M.	Coudersport	P.M.
[illegible] 7.07 12.53 Ar.		Dp. [illegible]
[illegible] 12.39	Hammond's	[illegible]
[illegible]	Olmsted	[illegible]
[illegible]	Mina	[illegible]
[illegible]	Roulette	[illegible]
[illegible]	Burtville	[illegible]
[illegible]	Coleman	[illegible]
[illegible]	Chemical Works	[illegible]
[illegible]	Port Allegany	[illegible]
P.M. P.M. P.M. Dep't		Arrive A.M. P.M. P.M.

(Flag stations. Trains do not stop.) [illegible]

Connections at Ulysses with N. Y. C. & H. R. R. R.; at Port Allegany with W. N. Y. & P. R'y. and at Newfield Junction with B. & S. R. R.

Trains run on eastern standard time.

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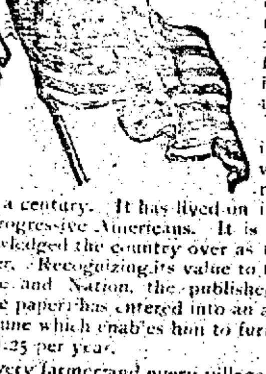

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TRAVELERS GUIDE.

TIME TABLE

WESTERN NEW YORK AND PENNSYLVANIA RAILWAY.

In effect April [illegible], 1[illegible]

Trains leave Smethport for [illegible] Eldred, Olean, Bradford, [illegible] as follows:

Buffalo Express, daily except Sunday [illegible]
Olean Mail, daily except Sunday [illegible]
Local for Olean, daily except Sunday [illegible]
*Train leaving [illegible] at Olean with River Division for [illegible] Salamanca, Oil City and Pittsburg.

For Clermont, and points south.
*Clermont Local, daily ex Sunday [illegible]
Clermont Accom daily ex Sunday [illegible]
Clermont Accom daily ex Sunday [illegible]
*Clermont Local connects [illegible]

For Larrabee, Port Allegany, [illegible] and points south:
Mail, daily ex Sunday [illegible]
Mail, daily ex Sunday connects [illegible] porium for Philadelphia.

Get Time Tables giving full information [illegible]
A. L. WORKER, Ticket Agent,
R. BELL, General Supt.
J. A. FELLOWS, Gen'l Pass'r Agent,
General Offices: Mooney Brisbane B[illegible] Main and Erie Sts., Buffalo, N. Y.

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

PHILADELPHIA & ERIE DIVISION TIME TABLE. In effect March [illegible]

TRAINS LEAVE EMPORIUM [illegible] EASTWARD.

8:25 a. m.—Train 8, weekdays, for [illegible] Wilkesbarre, Scranton, Hazleton, [illegible] Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 6:23 p. m., New York [illegible] p. m., Baltimore 6:00 p. m., Washington [illegible] p. m. Pullman Parlor car from [illegible] Emporium [illegible] Philadelphia and passenger coaches from Kane to Philadelphia and Williamsport to Baltimore and Washington.

[illegible] p. m.—Train 6, weekdays, for [illegible] and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 4:25 a. m., New York 7:[illegible] a. m. [illegible] sleeping cars from Harrisburg to Philadelphia and New York. Philadelphia passengers can remain in sleeper undisturbed until 7:30 a. m.

[illegible] p. m.—Train 4, daily, for Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia [illegible] a. m., New York [illegible] weekdays ([illegible] a. m. Sundays), Baltimore 6:25 a. m., Washington 7:41 a. m. Pullman sleeping cars from Erie and Williamsport to Philadelphia and Williamsport to Washington. Passenger cars from Erie to Williamsport and Williamsport to Baltimore. Passengers in sleeper for Baltimore and Washington will be transferred into Washington sleeper at Williamsport.

WESTWARD.

5:[illegible] a. m.—Train 9, weekdays, for Erie, [illegible] Dubois, Clermont and intermediate [illegible].

10:30 a. m.—Train 3, daily for Erie and [illegible] days for Dubois and intermediate stations.

6:[illegible] p. m.—Train 15, weekdays, for Kane and intermediate stations.

THROUGH TRAINS for EMPORIUM [illegible] TION FROM THE EAST AND SOUTH.

Train 5 leaves New York [illegible] p. m., [illegible] phia 8:[illegible] p. m., Washington [illegible] p. m., [illegible] 8:[illegible] p. m., arriving at Emporium [illegible] 5:10 a. m., weekdays, with Pullman [illegible] and passenger coaches from [illegible] Erie and from Washington and Baltimore to Williamsport.

Train 3, leaves New York [illegible] p. m., Philadelphia [illegible] p. m., Washington [illegible] Baltimore 11:50 p. m., daily, arriving at Emporium 10:[illegible] a. m., with Pullman sleeping cars from Philadelphia to Williamsport and passenger coaches from Philadelphia to Erie and Baltimore to Williamsport [illegible] on Sundays only. Pullman sleeper [illegible] phia to Erie.

Train 15 leaves Philadelphia [illegible] Washington 7:50 a. m., Baltimore [illegible] Harrisburg [illegible] weekdays, arriving at Emporium [illegible] with Pullman [illegible] for car from Philadelphia to Williamsport and passenger coaches from Philadelphia [illegible].

JOHNSONBURG RAILROAD.
Weekdays.
STATIONS.

	STATIONS.	
[illegible]	Ridgway	[illegible]
[illegible]	Johnsonburg	[illegible]
[illegible]	Bendigo	[illegible]
[illegible]	Glen Hazel	[illegible]
[illegible]	Straight	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible] Run	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	Clermont	[illegible]

Connections are made with trains at Johnsonburg at 11:[illegible] a. m. for Erie [illegible] mediate points, arriving at Erie at [illegible] and at Ridgway with train [illegible] at 2:[illegible] p. m. for Philadelphia, New York, Baltimore and Washington.

J. B. HUTCHINSON, General Manager
[illegible] Gen'l Passenger [illegible]

Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh Railway.

THE SHORT LINE

On and after Jan. 1, 18[illegible], passenger [illegible] Between Buffalo, Rochester, [illegible] ford, Ridgway, DuBois, Punxsutawney [illegible] Coal and Lumber Regions of Pennsylvania will leave Bradford and Mt. Jewett [illegible] except Sunday, as follows:

LEAVE BRADFORD—EAST [illegible]

6:[illegible] a. m.—Buffalo & Rochester Ex[illegible] Salamanca, Ellicottville, Spring[illegible] Buffalo, Machias, Gainesville, [illegible] Warsaw, LeRoy and Rochester.

[illegible] p. m.—Mail—For Salamanca, [illegible] Machias, Gainesville, Silver Springs, [illegible] saw, LeRoy, and Rochester.

4:[illegible] p. m.—Buffalo Express—daily, [illegible] stone, Carrollton, Salamanca, [illegible] Springville, Colden and Buffalo.

LEAVE MT. JEWETT—SOUTH [illegible]

8:0[illegible] a.m.—Accommodation—[illegible] Ridgway, Brockwayville, DuBois and [illegible] sutawney.

4:30 p. m.—Mail—For Johnsonburg [illegible] Brockwayville, DuBois and Punxsutawney. Thousand Mile Tickets, good [illegible] between all stations, at two cents per [illegible]. For time tables and full information [illegible] address any of the Company's agents.

L. B. McINTYRE, Agent Bradford.
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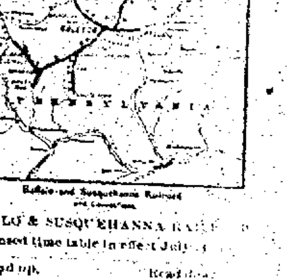

Buffalo and Susquehanna Railroad and Connections.

BUFFALO & SUSQUEHANNA RAILROAD

Condensed time table in effect July [illegible]

Read up.				Read down.		
A.M.	P.M.	P.M.		A.M.	[illegible]	
8.55	7.38	12.25	ar Keating Sum'lv			
8.10	7.06	12.00	Austin	7.31		
	7.01	11.52	Costello	7.51		
	6.50	11.42	Wharton	[illegible]		
	6.05	10.56	Cross Fork Jct	[illegible]		
	5.30	10.21	Corbett	[illegible]		
	5.7	10.21	Germania	[illegible]		
	5.20	10.15 lv		[illegible]		
P.M.	A.M.					
7.00	9.10	10.12 ar	Galeton ar / lv	8.10 / 8.25		
[illegible]	[illegible]	8.24	Gaines Junc	[illegible]		
[illegible]	[illegible]	8.06	Westfield	[illegible]		
[illegible]	[illegible]	8.00	Knoxville	[illegible]		
5.40	11.40	7.51	Osceola	[illegible]		
[illegible]	11.11	7.36	Elkland	[illegible]		
[illegible]	[illegible]	7.15 lv	Addison ar	10.[illegible]		
P.M.	A.M.			A.M.		
	P.M.	A.M.		A.M.		
	5.21	10.30 ar	Galeton lv	8.00		
	5.01	9.51	Walton	[illegible]		
	4.37	9.37	Newfield Jct	[illegible]		
	4.18	9.09	West Bingham	[illegible]		
	4.05	8.56	Genesee	[illegible]		
	4.01	8.52	Shongo	[illegible]		
	3.40	8.30 lv	Wellsville ar	[illegible]		
P.M.	P.M.	A.M.		A.M.		
[illegible]	8.55	10.12 ar	Galeton lv	[illegible]		
[illegible]	[illegible]	10.01	Gaines Junc	[illegible]		
2.01	8.20	9.47 lv	Ansonia ar	[illegible]		
	P.M.	A.M.		A.M.		
	2.00	7.30 ar	Cross Fork Jct lv	[illegible]		
	1.00	6.30 lv	Cross Fork ar	[illegible]		

All trains daily except Sunday.

CONNECTIONS.

At Keating Summit with W. N. Y. & P. R'y.
At Ansonia with F. [illegible] R'y. [illegible]
At Newfield Jct. with C. & P. A. [illegible]
At Genesee with N. Y. & P. [illegible]
At Addison with Erie R.R. [illegible]
At Wellsville with Erie R. R.

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W. C. PARK, G[illegible]
M. J. McMAHON, Div. Pass'r Ag't, Galeton, Pa.
J. H. [illegible], Asst [illegible]

ST. MARYS & SOUTHWESTERN

To take effect at 5 o'clock a.m. [illegible] [illegible] 8, 1897.

South		Stations		
[illegible]		Clermont		
[illegible]		Chatham		
[illegible]		Wildwood		
[illegible]		North Fork		
[illegible]		Kay Fork		
[illegible]		Gray Gables		
[illegible]	Ar. 7.30 Lv.	St. Marys	Lv. Ar.	
[illegible]	[illegible]	Kaul		
[illegible]	[illegible]	Dersch		
[illegible]	[illegible]	Arroll		
[illegible]	[illegible]	Gilfoyle		
[illegible]	[illegible]	Paine		
[illegible]	[illegible]	Centreville		
[illegible]	[illegible]	Byrnes Crossing		
[illegible]	[illegible]	Shirley Switch		
[illegible]	[illegible]	Furnace		
[illegible]	[illegible]	Trout Run		
[illegible]	[illegible]	Vineyard		
[illegible]	[illegible]	Brandy Camp		
[illegible]	[illegible]	Kilbow		
[illegible]	[illegible]	Byrne		
[illegible]	[illegible]	Shawmut		
P.M.	A.M.			

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